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Camp Merritt, Mont., Special.

OUR readers must first remember that Uncle Sam has a small standing army of 25,000 men, and out of this force there are four regiments of colored "boys in blue," namely, 25th Infantry, with headquarters at Fort Missoula; 24th Infantry, with headquarters at Fort Bayard, N. M; 9th Cavalry, with headquarters at Fort Robinson, Neb., and 10th Cavalry, with headquarters at Fort Custer, Mont. The 25th Infantry and 10th Cavalry are in the department of Dakota; the 24th Infantry, department of Arizona, and the 9th Cavalry, department of the Platte. In this case I will only speak of company "A," 25th Infantry, stationed at Fort Custer, Mont., but on detachment service at this camp, better known as the Tongue River Agency, Mont. Our company left Fort Custer November 24th, '92, per special order No. 176, c. s. headquarters of Dakota, with two officers and fifty-one enlisted men, marching fifty five miles in five days, arriving at this camp November 28, '92, relieving company "H," 22 Infantry, which left here November 30, '92, for their station, Fort Keogh, Mont. This being our first detached service trip in four years, and three fourths of our men being new men recently joined, undoubtedly the trip for some was more than tedious, but however, the best discipline was observed. There being two companies of our regiment stationed at Fort Custer, every alternate four months, one of them will be stationed here at the camp; but unfortunately the first trip fell to Co. A. We have at present sixty one enlisted men and three officers, and as regulations only allow fifty eight enlisted men to a company, we have a surplus of three men over the number allowed.

For the past week the Cheyenne Indians have been drawing their annuities and rations, and our boys have been eagerly watching the process. They were also dancing in their large hall, a distance of one mile from the agency, and such a spectacular has not been seen for some time past.

We have a literary association here which receive quite a number of daily papers, magazines, etc., and we are also constant subscribers to The Freeman. We are well supplied with men of clerical influences, mechanics of all kinds, school teachers, bakers, cooks, etc., our cook, John Davis, Esq., being the largest size cook in the army. For the past five years the army has risen to a higher standard than heretofore obtained, partly owing to the enlistment of a better class of men, and partly to the exclusion of all bad characters.

Our regiment has been in this department twelve years, and the boys are earnestly awaiting orders to transfer to another department, and I hope the time will not be long before one of our regiments may be stationed in the Eastern department.

Our Captain, James C. Ord, has been with the company since January 1, '92, and his chief aim is to increase the merits heretofore obtained by the company. Our 1st Sergeant, John Robinson, has been in the service twenty one years, and is anxiously awaiting the Twenty-five Years' Retiring bill.

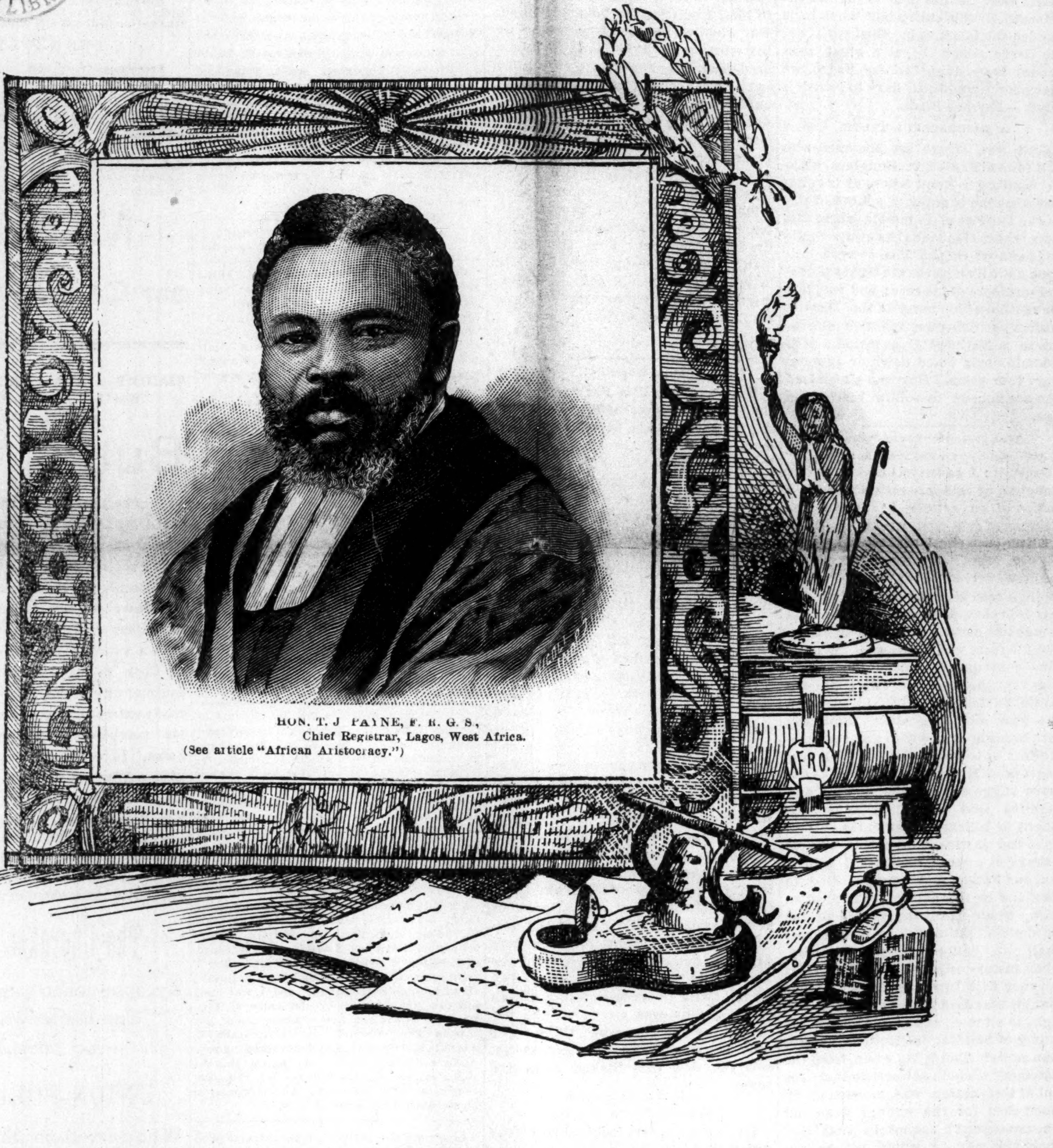
I will curtail this sketch by saying since the late order from the headquarters of the Army states that enlisted men who have served two years or more and are thoroughly competent both physically and mentally, and who are unmarried, can compete for appointments as 2d Lieutenants, I would suggest that some of our young men should endeavor to grasp this opportunity, and show that we will have more than two commissioned officers in the U. S. Army.

Yours respectfully,
A. H. J., Co. " ," 25th U. S. Inft'y.

A Noble Effort Toward Race Elevation.

Lawrence, Kans., Special.

We have four churches, names and pastors as follows: First and Second Baptist, St. Lukes and St. James' A. M. E.; pastors, Revs. E. W. Merchant, P. J. Jackson, Rev. Turner and C. Hunt, respectively. A series of revivals is in progress. Through The Freeman I want its readers to become acquainted with Lawrence and its people, and to that end I desire to introduce to their notice the Lawrence Progressive Club, which is composed of about a score of young men and women, and whose object is the advancement of the study of the English language among our people, and the dissemination of knowledge, especially to the older members of the race whose education was hindered or prohibited by slavery. Though only three years old, the club has spread its influence throughout the State and so imbued the public with its sentiment, that the board of education of this city, has placed rooms in its building at the disposal of the club, to be used in establishing an institute for the carrying out of this grand educational work for the benefit of our mothers and fathers. There are several other clubs in the city, none of which are given up to social amusement at the expense of literature, literary programs being presented at every meeting.



HON. T. J. PAYNE, F. R. G. S.,
Chief Registrar, Lagos, West Africa.
(See article "African Aristocracy.")

FORTY-SIX YEARS

In the Ministry Brought to a Close by Death His Request.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

R. C. McClure, who teaches in Ballard county, was in the city on business recently. Charles Steele has returned, after an absence of several months, and requests that The Freeman be sent him. Mrs. Rachel Kivel, of Campbell street, is sick. Benj. Hewell, who has been sick, is on duty again. Charles Tucker received a bruise from carrying ties and is in bed from the effects. Wash Johnson has an attack of rheumatism. Scott Overton, who has been confined to his bed for some weeks, is convalescing. Henry Edwards and wife are convalescing. Mrs. Clara Roberts died on the 31st ult. She leaves a husband and relatives. Mrs. Adaline Green, wife of Cato Green, who resided on Broad street, Jersey vicinity, died very suddenly on the 5th. She leaves a husband and several children. Father Moses Burks, one of the oldest preachers and who is widely known, died on the 1st inst. He was born in Woodford county, Ky. He served in the late war and was drawing a pension. He was married to his second wife. He had been preaching about forty-six years. His remains were taken to Midway, Ky., for burial. He had told Elder G. W. Dupee, who baptized him about forty eight years ago, that he wanted him to preach his funeral, which he did, as Father Burks was converted under him. Rev. G. W. Dupee was assisted by Rev. L. Hamilton. When wanting to hear plenty of interesting news, inquire for The Freeman. The Second street Roller Skating Rink opened on the 26th ult., under the management of M. Bradshaw. J. A. Morton and S. L. Tinsley are meeting with success. They will give a grand Ring tournament on Wednesday, Feb. 8th. The prize will be a gold medal. We the managers would like to hear of some professional skaters and have them visit us. Subscribers we will have to get a move on us to keep The Freeman in our midst, for it takes money to make things go. I have carried some of my customers for a great while, as the works were all shut down, now come up like you should and pay. Miss Dora Lee has gone to her home in Hamletsburg, Ill. Upon her return she will resume her position in the dress-making shop of her sister, Mrs. Spriggs. Mrs. Isabell, who has been visiting her son, Dr. Isabell, has returned to her home in Lynchburg, Va.

COLLEGE RHETORICAL EXERCISES.

Interesting and Instructive Programme—Endowment to the College.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

Public Rhetorical exercises were held at 7:30 p. m., on the 3d, inst. The exercises were opened with music by Misses Carney and Stockdale. Prayer was offered by Prof. H. H. Wright, after which a song by Miss Mamie Noll. The first to appear on the programme was an oration by E. T. M. Ware, subject, "True Patriotism," which was quoted with much energy. Mr. Ware did not fail to interest his audience. "Moral Heroism," was the subject of an interesting paper read by Mrs. Margaret J. Crump, of Alpika, Miss. An excellent paper was read by Miss Anna Cowan, of Coldwater, Miss., on the "Society of Russia," which illustrated the conditions of the country and the causes of the great famine and many other important points were made on this subject. "Atila the Hun" was an oration by Moses L. Goodall, Louisville, Ky. One of the most excellent orations of the evening was by Miss Estelle M. Jackson, of Greenville, Tenn., subject "Are There any Alps? Some of the most interesting points were made in the comparison of the different advantages between the Afro American and the Anglo-Saxon. A violin solo was rendered by Miss Stickell. "The Struggle of Italy" an oration by Simpson Garner, of Franklinton, N. C. "Mob Violence" an oration by Joseph L. Wiley, of Woodbury, Tenn. His thoughts were based entirely upon the lawless mobs who have caused so many widows and so many orphans throughout the Southern states. J. R. White, of Nashville, delivered an excellent oration on "Our National Danger." "True Patriots" by by W. S. Ellington, of Braden, Tenn. Dudley J. Smith did not fail to interest his hearers on "The Soil, the Endowment of the Human Race." "The Queen of the Adriatic," an oration by J. R. Trotter, of Aspen Hill, Tenn. One of the most interesting papers of the evening was read by Miss Birdie M. Wills, of Nashville, on "The Quality of Mercy." "Public Opinion" was a noble oration delivered by David W. Dunn, of Macon, Miss. Music by the Glee club after which benediction was announced by by Prof. Bennett. Charles Parham won the gold medal in the oratorical contest between the advanced members of the English department last week. J. B. Gordan of Meharry Medical college, and W. A. Brown, of Central Tennessee college, were the guests of W. Atlas Cocolough on the 3d, inst. President Cravath received a check for $500 from D. C. Smith, of Menasha, Wis., last week, for the purpose of buying new books for the library. In addition to this, $300 more will be invested for the same purpose. The Extempo club, a society which was recently organized by the young men of the different departments, is one of the most interesting societies in the university, with S. W. Jefferson as its president, and Julian Ware, secretary. The object of this society is to improve the minds of the young men by discussing different topics of the day. Such organization has been long needed. Miss Ida Porter has returned to school.

STEAMER "STATE OF KANSAS."

Loaded with a Thousand Sacks of Corn Gone to Hot Springs.

New Madrid, Mo., Special.

Rev. J. W. Ousley was hastily summoned to his home at Hickman, to attend the bedside of two of his sick children. Mrs. Charles Jeffrey has recovered from a severe illness. Mrs. Alice Alexander is convalescent. Mrs. Emanuel Williams is ill with the La Grippe. Alberta, daughter of Randolph Watson, is ill with pneumonia. Professor Thomas left Wednesday evening for Hot Springs, Ark., to spend his vacation. Mr. George Lay has moved in his new house. Mrs. Ann Lafont has returned from the bed side of her sick daughter. Mrs. Richard Anderson is building a new house, in the vicinity of the Methodist Church. Mr. Willie Lesieni, a colored carpenter, has the contract. Miss Vena Davis, daughter of Mr. Ben Davis, who lives in the country, is very ill. W. H. Robinson keeps all kind of novelty stove repairs, in the old hardware store of L. A. Lewis, where he can be found at any time. The steamer State of Kansas, took five thousand sacks of corn from our landing last night. The recent cold spell has injured the wheat in this vicinity.

Augusta, Ga.

Miss Ida Parker, of Lincoln County, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. M. Freeman, of Augusta. Mrs. Pickens, of Columbia street, is visiting Mrs. Isiah Miller, of Augusta. Mrs. Prof. Spann, of Elbertson, is visiting Miss Willie Lucas, at 1227 Marge street. Mr. Sol. Wade was the first to put in his subscription for The Freeman, as soon as he met our agent about 25 miles from Augusta. Mrs. C. M. Carter said I am too poor to take a paper, but her store was mighty full. Try one copy.

LADIES' INDUSTRIAL CLUB.

ITS OBJECT AND SUCCESS—AN ATTEMPT TO RESUSCITATE

A Fainting Woman, Causes her Death—A Shakespearian Club—Church, and Society Notes.

Helena, Ark., Special.

THE Ladies' Industrial club gave an oyster supper and a musicale which was well patronized, at the residence of Mr. A. L. Greer. The program opened with singing from the A. M. E. choir. Recitation, "The Life Boat," Miss Lizzie Martin; solo, "Anchored," Miss Emma E. Burns; instrumental "Easter Lillies," Miss J. Kilbourne; quartette "Over the beautiful sea," Misses. J. R. Whiting, Edmonia Smith and Messrs. D. A. Ankerum and E. W. Lawrence; instrumental, "Sleigh Bells," Genevieve Wilson; solo, "Thinking," Miss Idell Jenkins; solo, "Lovely Weather," Mrs. P. A. Harrison; Miss Addie Robinson presided at the piano. The entertainment was given for the benefit of the poor. This club has done a great work since its organization, burying the dead, clothing the naked, feeding the hungry, caring for the sick. When they give an entertainment each one should turn out in a body and donate freely to this charitable work.

Mrs. Burrel Graves is improving.

Mr. S. L. Lampkins is able to be out after his severe attack.

Dr. J. W. O. Marquess took a business trip to Hot Springs, Ark.

Prof. T. S. Inborden has ordered the college bell from New York.

In a row in the Catholic Hollow, Henry Miller shot Charles Taylor.

Miss Flora Scott, of Tennessee, wishes her Helena friends to know that she has improved in health.

Mrs. Harriet Ware thinks The Freeman is a regular searcher since she found her relatives through its columns.

Miss Lottie Claxton, accompanied by her uncle, Wm. Clarke, of Cincinnati, O., visited their uncle, Jas. B. Clarke, of Gunnison, Miss.

Miss Anna A. Grey, of this city, said The Freeman was the only comforter she had while she was in Ohio, and it was sent to her from Helena.

A Chicago reader of The Freeman has opened correspondence with a young lady of this city whom he became acquainted with through that paper.

I. B. Murray, recently of Pine Bluff, has become interested in The Freeman. He says he likes it because he can hear from home and everywhere at one price.

Miss Ella C. Haynes, of Staunton, Va., and a graduate from Fisk University, arrived here last week to accept a position as an assistant teacher in the Helena Normal school.

A melee between two barbers, Robt. Johnson and J. H. Washington, in the shop of Wilson and Washington, over money matters resulted in the latter stabbing Johnson in the arm.

A Kansas City, Kansas, friend of The Freeman wrote the Helena correspondent complimenting him upon his news saying, "Helena must be of some size to afford such news. I like to read after you."

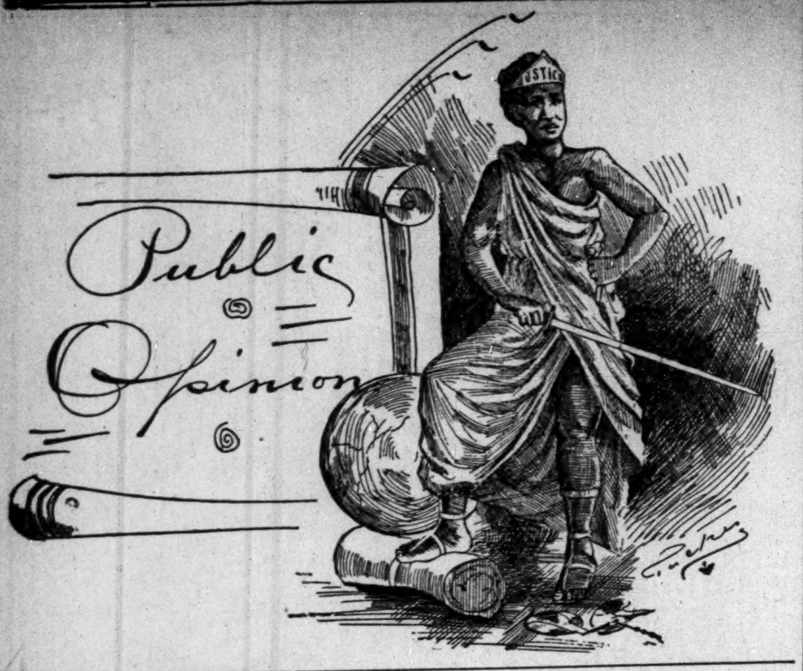
A reader of The Freeman in Texas, said he accidently picked up the paper and in reading Helena correspondence, he found a friend of his that he had not seen nor heard of in several years. He at once became a subscriber.

"Doc," the troting dog, which was at the races in the fall of '91, was wrecked on the Pennsylvania road near Dean station. Doc was an Irish setter from Brighton, Ontario. A $3,000 suit of damages was brought against the company for his loss.

Quite a number of medical students graduated in Central Tennessee from the Meharry College at Nashville on Tuesday the 7th ult. The exercises were held at the Gospel Temple, among the many to go forth on their several missions were, Peter Whittier Clark, of Spring Creek, Ark., graduating as a doctor with much credit to himself and his race.

The pupils of Helena Normal School have organized a Shakespearian reading club with nine members, consisting of the fifth grade and normal class. Mr. Jno. S. Drew, president; Miss Ida B. Adams, vice-president; Mattie L. recording secretary; Genevieve Wilson, secretary; Georgia West, Treasurer; Miss G. Cunie, marshall; Mr. . B., chaplain.

Miss Lizzie Brandon, the wife of Green Brandon, an old citizen here, died a few days ago at Searcy, Ark., from a congestive chill caused by throwing water on her while having a fit. Several years ago she had a severe attack of the small pox, since which time, each autumn or winter she would have a fainting spell. None were familiar with her treatment except the family, and trying to revive her with cold water caused her death. Miss Mattie Brandon was telegraphed from Little Rock, she reached her bedside a few minutes before life was extinct. Mrs. Mary Alexandria (nee) Brandon, joined the remains at a station not far from Little Rock. Mr. Jno. Brandon, who was in Mississippi, did not arrive in time. She was burried from the Second Baptist church with Rev. A. H. Miller and others officiating. She leaves a husband and four grown children and a number of relatives.



NOT NEGROES, "NIGGERS."

Some Negroes in the South who have colored mothers and white fathers try to cut their race.—The Petersburg Herald.

BUT IT IS NOT ANXIOUS.

If the South is anxious to make a good citizen of the Negro, it must set him good examples, and treat him as a man and a citizen, and good results are bound to follow.—Philadelphia Tribune.

YES, AND STAY UP.

Kansas City is nothing if not out of the common. A Mrs. Russell is at the Coates Club House teaching ladies how to fall down. What we want most is some one to teach the people how to stand up.—American Citizen.

NOT ALARMING, DISGRACEFUL.

Our attention has been frequently called to the fact that there are certain drug stores in this city that discriminate against colored people at their soda fountains. This is an alarming fact, yet it is true.—Southern Courier.

BETTER KICK BROTHER.

The separate coach bill was favorably reported in the Missouri legislature last Wednesday. Let the rebels do whatever the devil puts into their hearts, the Negroes can stand it quite as well as the State of Missouri.—National Baptist Standard.

WHY DON'T THEY? CANT!

Why don't you behave yourself when you come to church. People are getting very tired of the way you act. If you have been properly raised it is time you were making some manifestation of it, or else you will have to pay a very heavy fine.—Baptist Times.

THEY COMPLIMENTED HIM.

Many of the Southern papers showed a degree of narrowness and secret bitterness in their comments on General Butler's death which they could well have kept concealed. Some of their statements were as untrue as they were unkind and ridiculous.—Star of Zion.

HAYES WAS A TOOL.

He was a good man, Hays, but it was one of those cases in which he was too good. He met the bristling bayonets of the political enemy with the signed papers of a surrender, and in so doing, won the execration of his friends and the contempt of his foes.—Richmond Planet.

TELL IT.

Had one hundredth part of the abuse been showered down upon the corpse of Mr. Jefferson Davis, by the Northern Press, that has been showered upon General Butler's, the Southern Press would have sent up a wail that would have been pittiable in the extreme.—Pine Bluff Echo.

TRUE.

If ever a man deserved lynching, that drunken lout of a police officer who shot to death in Chicago on the 7th ult., an Afro-American, who gave him absolutely no provocation, certainly did. This very thing occurs entirely too often in Washington and Chicago.—The Gazette.

YES HE IS.

The Negro's prosperity depends upon his change of base in order to elevate the race to a higher plane of prominence. He has been in his own light, but from the outlook we can see the handwriting on the wall, and he is interpreting it to suit the exigencies of the hour that is drawing heavily upon him, to dare and to do.—Memphis Watchman.

HALT NOT, FAINT NOT.

"Nothing succeeds like success," and no one succeeds as well as he who having once placed his foot on the ladder of progress, turns neither to right or left, nor looks beneath, but ever moves onward, upward, ever strives to reach the topmost round and achieve the pinnacle of fame.-Ferret And Journal.

SO IT WILL.

We are always, as a people, ready to give advice to one another and tell our little tale of woe as to how we are used by our white brothers. But here is the only true course out of this: Educate thoroughly, save your money and go into business, and be refined and gentlemanly in your ways to all whom you come in contact with, foe and friend, and you will demand the respect of the best class and this will go a long ways in removing that much dreaded impediment.—Omaha Progress.

IT HAS BEEN HANDED HIM.

When J. G. Blaine dies; when all that is now mortal of our ex-secretary of state, is no more; when America's great diplomatist shuffles off his earthly robe, he may have many things to tell the angels at the gate. He may be able to tell of a number of creditable deeds that he has done to further the interest of the state; but when he is handed the blank to be filled with noble deeds, which he, as a great man should have done for the Negro, we fear poor Jimmie will have to return it blank.—Parsons Blade.

A DISGRACEFUL TRUTH.

And, yet, where are the men who will follow Frederick Douglass without wanting to know where he is going and what "he is going to get out of it." In the District of Columbia where this man, whose eloquence has swayed millions and whose pen has swayed millions more lives, there are eighty thousand members of his race; and yet, in a convention of his party in the District to elect two delegates and two alternates to a National Convention, he is ignominiously voted down or ignored every four years. How can a man lead who has nobody to follow him?—The Age.

Was It God's "Divine" Plan?

Written expressly for The Freeman:

Dear Sir: I desire to express a few thoughts, or rather to seek light on a portion of an article I saw in the Freeman of Jan. 21st under the head of "Race Achievements," by Carrie L. Warren. She says: "How strange to us the way God chose to make the Negro a race among races. It was the year 1619 that fourteen Negroes were brought to America and sold as slaves a traffic from which the most momentious consequences ensued that long after rent the Republic with strife and moistened its sod with blood" During this year and long after, thousands were brought over which are the progenitors of to-day's eight million free Negroes. Must we believe as the above suggests that the allwise and merciful God whom we have been taught to believe is ever on the side of right and justice, chose this way to make of us a people? Must I believe that our Father and merciful God in his plans to redeem us from a fallen state, would turn the angels of the bottomless pit upon my forefathers? Shall we believe this was his way, when history tells us that God from the very first introduction of slavery sent his standard bearer of justice and right to all men, and to cry down the wrong of building institutions on human souls? Can it be, when, from the statement made in the article that the soil of this nation was moistened by blood shed for the wrongs done us? Oh, my sister, it cannot be that God chose this way. I would not be understood as debating the question and I ask the readers not to so understand me. But this question as to God's divine plan in bringing us or our forefathers to America to be sold into slavery to redeem us is one that has caused me to search the Scriptures to find in them something that would bear out this assertion, but I have failed to find it. Must we, and shall we accept it as truth, that to recall a people back to God they have been or might be made slaves of by another people no better than themselves? And at this point I will with plain facts prove my statement. These people whom, it is claimed, we owe so much for Christianity and civilization gave to us for our elevation ignorance and degradation and everything in the way of wrong that one human being could put upon another. Must I believe this was God's will? Mothers with their babes sent one way and the father another; and in many cases mother and babe torn asunder never, perhaps, to meet again, as it is in my case and as hundreds of letters in the Freeman each week will prove. And then if that darling mother should be seen shedding tears for the loved one of her bosom, she would be whipped by a human brute whom, it is claimed "God intended" should call us back to him. Can I believe it was the Divine will when with my infant eyes in those dark days I saw my mother pinned to the earth with her face down and a sister in form but a demon at heart, bruising my dear mother's body? And again, on another occasion my mother was tied with her hands crossed to a tree while a great brute in human form beat and bruised her body, while I, her helpless son was compelled to see it without being able to defend or shield her from the wrongs inflicted upon her. Am I, with thousands of others whose mothers have suffered the same and may be worse, to turn our backs upon the sacred dead (our mothers) and forget the wrongs done to them and their loved ones, and believe that "God so intended it?" No, I cannot believe it unless an angel from the shining courts of glory reveal it to man. And there are living witnesses to bear me out in saying so. First take our beloved and ever to be honored Douglass, read his life and times and see how God raised him up to go forth with thunderous tones on both sides of the water to arouse the nations that God disapproved of human slavery. And when we consider his goings we must also consider that he was only one of that noble company of men and women, God's authorized agents, who went forth with thunderous tones against this infamous outrage on humanity. If these living witnesses are not proof enough, read the book that was written with blood in the sixties, and if in it there is one word showing that "God intended slavery" for our fathers to bring them to him, I will forever hold my peace. But when we can point to these living witnesses and the deeds of the honored dead, they speak with such glowing eloquence that my soul is awakened to praise his name that this was not his plan to raise fallen man. I see our young men and women come forth from the places of learning, stung by the devil's agents all on the line that it was "God's will" that we should wear the yoke of slavery in order that we might be Christianized and civilized and they have done their work well. This may be the way, but if it is willingly I would take the backward course and roam with my fathers in the wilds of Africa,

H. DAVIS.

Omaha, Neb.

Most Horrible!

HAMBURG, Jan. 31.—For sixteen days the three sailors rescued from the Norwegian ship Thekla, subsisted on human flesh. The three strangled a fourth companion and lived on raw strips of meat cut from his corpse. From the time of their rescue until to-day the three unfortunates have been insane from their sufferings in the rigging of the foundering ship. Two of them recovered sufficiently today to tell the story of the Thekla's voyage. The Thekla was in heavy weather, they say, from December 2, when she left Philadelphia. Her decks were flooded almost constantly, deck houses and rails were swept away and the steering apparatus was broken. When it was found that there was no hope of bringing the ship into port the master, mate and eight seamen got away in a boat. The other boats had been smashed by the waves before they could be lowered. Nine men were obliged to remain in the rigging. They were unable to get food from below, and five of them, made insane by exposure and privation, jumped overboard. The other four remained aboard from December 22 till January 7, the day of the rescue. On the thirteenth day lots were drawn to determine which one of the four should be killed and eaten. The lot fell twice in succession to a Dutch sailor, and he was strangled and devoured raw by the other three. The only drinking water the seamen got was the dew they licked from the ropes.

A Paper Worth Reading.

DEAR SIR:—I was inspired with your paper to-day. The news was choice and well given in every respect; the editorials were racy and timely and full of hard horse sense, as well as classical learning; the execution was nearly faultless. In fact pick up The Freeman any day, and you find a paper worth reading, a problem solver and nation developer, rather than any party, a greater educator than any agency, that I know of. 'Though I don't know you personally, I know your enterprise is doing good, and any time I can do you any good in an humble way, I am at your service. Please do not publish one word over my signature, as I dislike the notoriety. Just be content with being assured of my friendship, prayers and private endorsement. Don't think I am always as bold and loquacious as to-night. But the excellent Freeman arouses my latent powers of self assertion. God bless you and yours.

Selma, Ala.

The Freeman has Aroused Them.

Allow me space in your most valuable paper to say that The Freeman has aroused the Afro-Americans in Arkansas to a sense of their duty. Who would not be inspired when they read of the advancement of our race since 1865! It is in sympathy with all oppressed who are struggling for their rights.

G. W. ALLEN,
Marianna, Ark.

A SEARCHER
LOCATERS PLACE. USA.
Lost Relatives:

The price of publishing letters of Lost Relatives is $1 per month in advance. THE FREEMAN goes to all parts of the world and has been the means of bringing hundreds of Lost Relatives and friends together.

Any one furnishing information where a comrade of Co. "E" 26th Regiment of U. S. Col. Vol. Infantry, and who knew William Fox of Kentucky can be found will receive reward by addressing Mrs Henrietta Wilson, 1215 East Forest avenue, Maysville, Ky.

I should be pleased to know the whereabouts of Mrs Anna M. Pope She was formerly in Augusta. Ga. Her name before she was married was Miss Anna M. Williams. She married James Pope, of Agusta. Any information concerning her whereabouts will be thankfully received by Edward A. Robinson, Co., C., 24th, Infantry, with United States boundary commission, via Bisbee, Ariz. Ter.

Alexander Ferguson, who was sold from Richmond, Va, to Columbus Ga., just before the war. Any information respecting the above will pe gladly received by his brother, Charles Washington Norman Fairleigh, Glester Road, Bristol, United Kingdom.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of my father, Thomas Lucas, of Wilmington, N. C., lived in New York City in the neighborhood of McDugal and Sullivan streets, about 1885. Any information will be gladly received by David L. Brown, 1 Tottenham street, Tottenham Court Road, London, W., England.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of Jennie Sweet, my mother, of Columbus, Franklin county, Ohio, or Frank Hall, her brother, the former when last heard of was living at 69 E. Spring street, Columbus. The latter was living in Athens, Ohio. Any information of either persons will be thankfully received by

NELLIE SHANNON, "Era" Office,
49 Wellington Street Strand,
London, W. C., England.

Mr, George Smith, of Hillsboro, O., would like to find his relatives. Their names were Isiah Smith, Michael Smith, Theodore Smith and Elvira Smith. She belonged to Jas. Smith, at Delhi; her mother was named Phœbe; she married Sam Dorsa. Candis Gipson was Isaiah and Nichall's mother, also Theodore. We were neighbors of Dr. Chas. Mitchell near Brushy Bayou.

Mrs. Maria Roberson of 124 Demperster street Evanston. Ill., would like to find her relatives: They are named Lloyd, Israel and Aaron Murry. Two brothers, John and Levi Murry are dead. Aaron Murry, my father, died when I was eight years old. Eliza Murry, my mother, died eleven years ago; she died in Baltimore, Md. Sister Charlotte Murry was sold to a man named Thomas Barnett, living in Cambridge, Md. Please send information to me as above.

Information is wanted of my two brothers and three sisters, Bettie Martin, Kate Martin, Phoebie Martin, Bob Martin, and Peter Martin. I left them near Oxford, Ga., in 1829. I last heard of them in Camden county, Ga. They were sold to a man by the name of Vennard. Any information as to their whereabouts will be thankfully received by me. Maria Moore, formerly Maria Vennard. Marianna, Ark.

I would like to know the wherabouts of Crocket Burleson; he left home in 1879 and when we heard of him he was in northern Texas and had got to be a railroad fireman; he left home when he was only 17 years old; he has been gone thirteen years. Information will be gladly received by Giles Burleson, his father and his mother, Missouri Burleson. His three oldest sisters' names are Georgia, Ada and Ida.

Address Jiles Burleson, care of I. P.
Schneider, No. 400 W Second Street,
Austin, Tex.

I wish to make inquiry concerning my relatives, My mother's name was Mary Ann Willis, and my fathers name was Winston Beyers. My mother died when I was 13. She belonged to C. Willis. I was sold to John Roach when I eight years old, then I was sold to Bill Roach. He sold me to Jeannette Crab, and I was then sold to a Negro trader by the name of Tom Pankey. I have five sisters whose names are Martha Ann, Harriett Barbara, Isabella, Amanda and Cynthia, also one brotheer named Andrew Jackson Willis. My name, Mahala Willis is now Mahala Wilkes. We last saw one another fifty years ago. Any information please address me at Searcy, Ark.

Information is wanted of Sam Larkins who left Hartford, Kentucky 15 years ago. His wife's name was Catherine and he had three children, two boys whose name were Willie and Lander, also one girl whose name is Louthedis. There are only two children living now, Landes and Louthedis. Willie is dead died July 9, 1892 and mother is dead; she died September 27, 1892. Any information as to the whereabouts of the person named will be thankfully received by Louthedis Larkins, Hartford, Kentucky.

Mrs. Patsey Smith would like to find the whereabouts of her four children, Frank, Henry, Jane and Ben. All belonged to a man by the name of Brown. They were taken away from him by a man named Crockett and brought to South Carrollton, Ky., on Green River. Ben was left in Holly Springs, Miss; he has not been heard from. Frank, Henry and Jane were carried from South Carrollton, Ky., by a Negro trader by the name of Corbin. They have not been heard of since. My maiden name was Patsey Crockett. Any informotion concerning the above four persons will be thankfully received by their mother, Patsey Smith, Central City, Ky.

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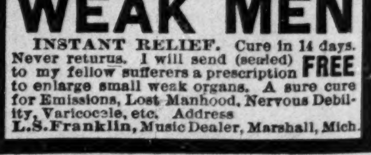

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Bead trimmings in Persian colors are among the most elegant importations.

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A colored woman was frozen to death about six miles above Richmond. Virginia.

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Miss Sallie Holley one of the noted Anti-Slavery workers died last week in New York.

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At Shreveport, La., recently an old colored woman went crazy and cut both her ears off.

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Miss Julia Wormley, of Washington D. C., is traveling with the Jubilee Singers in Australia.

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The old fashioned moss trimming is revived, and is shown in mixed colors and all popular shades.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis appeared before the faculty of Lincoln University, Jan. 25-26th.

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Make your home attractive for your children, who, invariably seek abroad what is lacking at home.

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To prevent night coughs take a warm drink, preferably a glass of hot milk, just before or after getting in bed.

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Teach your daughters cleanliness and tidiness. Eliminate if possible, the disposition to gorgeousness or ostentation.

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A reception was tendered to the Hampton students by Mrs. Emma Whiting at the Sumner House, New York, recently.

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Miss Mary Sweet, of Forest City, Ark, a missionary and lecturer for the Woman's Christian Union, is lecturing in Kansas.

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Children should be taught to rinse the mout night and morning and to begin the use of the tooth brush early (likewise the toothpick.)

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The first prize for the best entrance examination to Chicago University during the month of December, was taken by a colored young lady.

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Miss Edmonia Lewis is the executer of the beautiful bust of Longfellow, which is first on the right, as one enters the great Memorial Hall at Harvard.

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The colored working women of Chicago are taking steps to organize themselves into a body which shall look after the interest of the working classes.

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Begin early to imbue your children with a consistent valuation of themselves, and that all vice is in a slum which they can only reach by a long descent.

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Mary A. Cook, formerly Mrs. Winfield, of Cleveland, Ohio, has begun suit for breach of promise against Thomas J. Berryman, of that city. Defendant is janitor of the First National Bank in that city. Ten thousand dollars is the amount demanded.

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A lamentable fact lies in the tendency on the part of far too great a number of our girls, to waive the niceties of speech and general manner, and ape the sang froid "don't give a snap" air of a feminine type usually many years their senior and whose lack of refinment should be pitied rather than imitated.

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One of the most successful explorers of Africa is Mrs. M. French Shelton, an American woman, who fitted out her own expedition and traveled at her own expense through the dense wilds of the African continent. She spent $50 0 0 of her own private purse to see Africa as it is and know it for herself.

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Recently there died, in Peoria, Ill., one of the best known and most highly respected women in that state, Mrs. Caroline Wilkinson Allen She was born in Kentucky, in 1833, but has lived in Illinois ever since she was seven years old. More than forty years of her life was spent in Christian and temperance work, and since 1889 she was the efficient president of the Harper W. C. T. U., of Peoria.

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It is to be hoped that the spirit of organization which has within the last decade revolutionized the industrial and commercial world, would invade the social world, and as the tenets of the first named union expunge from its ranks all imposters or those falling below a high mark of eligibility, would likewise erect about our social institutions a protective code which will exclude the destroyer of our homes and the virtue of our daughters, and make isolated the existence of this ban to humanity.

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Mothers to what degree are you responsible for your daughter's feeble social foothold, or perhaps a denoument? When you have seen her, perhaps unconsciously, drifting toward immorality and ultimate disgrace, have you held your peace, lest you might incur her displeasure, or hurt her feelings? Or did you perch on the fallacious crag of her insusceptibility, to the influences to which other girls might yield, and while thus standing watch her totter on the precipice and at last you awoke from your delusion all too late to avert her ruin.

Close of a Busy Career.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.

Daniel Phillips Adger, who died recently, was 49 years old, and was born of slave parents in Charleston, S. C. When five years old he was brought to this city and educated at the "Institute for Colored Youth." After graduating he went to Australia to assist his brother, who was engaged in raising sheep At the close of the war he returned and became active in political affairs. He was subsequently appointed by Postmaster Bingham to a clerkship in the postoffice here, being the first Afro-American appointed to such a position. For fourteen years he faithfully discharged the duties of his office, when the postoffice passed from Republican control. Mr. Adger figured prominently in the election riot which resulted in the killing of Prof. Octavius V. Catto, and was arrested on a charge of conspiracy. When taken into custody, it is said, he was found heavily armed, an an account of this was given the name of "walking arsenal." Young Adger was set at liberty, by the late Judge Pierce on a writ of habeas corpus, and the case was practically ended, as it was never called for trial. The deceased wrote for several of the daily newspapers, and until the death of Col. Taggart, was stead ly employed upon Taggart's Times. One of his brothers, Robert M. Adger, is a clerk in the postoffice, and another, James H. Adger, is a prosperous merchant of Sydney, Australia.

Hallie Q Brown's Visit in California

Written Expressly for The Freeman.

It must never seem a lack of appreciation and commendation that the public have not been duly informed of Miss Hallie Q Brown's labors while in California. She came to us hardly a stranger, her fame having preceded her, and immediately began her work. Early and late, in fair weather and foul, she hurried hither and thither, making speeches meeting committees, collecting money with marvelous perseverance and energy. She addressed the Leland Stanford University and holds the honor of being the first lady to address the faculty and students. In San Jose mainly through the kind assistance of Mrs. I. F. Overture, she addressed the State Normal School three times, and a set of resolutions were read and adopted in appreciation of the grand work she represented. In the same city she addressed one thousand people in the Presbyterian church and eighteen hundred in the M. E. church. She was received most cordially by Mother Superior, Sister Mary Bernardino and one hundred Sisters and five hundred students of Notre Dame College. In Berkely she addressed the faculty and students of the University of the Pacific. The remainder of the time, with the exception of a few days in Los Angeles, was spent in San Francisco. She first addressed the Presbyterian Church at the 11 o'clock session. In the afternoon of the same day she addressed the colored people of the city in the A. M. E. Zion Church. The colored people of the far west, with three exceptional advantages, hardly realize the exact condition of their brethren in the South, and as her words of burning eloquence fell upon their ears many were moved to tears. We know that seed was sown that afternoon that would bear fruit in the consecration of many in the congregation to the Southern field Miss Brown next spoke before the Channing Literary Society, of which Mrs. Horace Davis, daughter of Starr King, is president. Two entertainments were given here, the one under the auspices of the Old Ladies' Home, the other by the Afro-American League. The sentiment of the California people as to Miss Brown's ability can be best expressed in the language of the old Quaker who bought a scholarship in the school: "Thee has great power, thee held them transfixed for more than an hour." She visited many places of interest, but Chinatown by daylight and gaslight will live longest in her memory. While her visit must be regarded as a success, financially, had her stay been longer and the election not so imminent the response would have been larger. All unite with me in saying God bless Hallie Q Brown,—God bless the tireless, fearless woman who, as Miriam, leads her race onward and upward.

Bishop Walters is with us until the 16th of February, and is busily engaged in lending a helping hand to every laudable enterprise. He met an adjourned meeting of the Old Ladies' Home yesterday afternoon and the enterprise profited greatly by his advice.

MARY L. PRICE,
San Francisco, Cal
Jan. 22nd, 1893.

Prosperous Colored People.

Colorado Springs, Col., Special.

Colorado Springs lies at the base of the Rocky Mountains and is 6,000 feet above the sea level, is about the same latitude of Washington City, but the climate is quite different; is 75 miles south of Denver. On account of the altitude strangers notice increased frequency of respiration, but after a while nature remedies that difficulty by increasing the capacity of the chest. Here a wonderful exhibition of nature was formed years ago. In the "Garden of Gods" are immense columns of red sandstone two or three hundred feet high thrust up through the earth, forming the "Gateway to the Garden," and inside the gateway are many similar formations As you ride through you imagine for a time to be alone with the "Gods." The foundation of Colorado Springs must have been laid after a mighty upheaval of mountains, as mud is almost unknown. Pike's Peak appears to be no more than one-half of a mile distant, but is eighteen miles in reality, and as I write Pike's Peak comes into view directly through the west window covered with snow, as are surrounding mountains. Colorado Springs is said to have the grandest system of water works in the world, the water is sparkling, pure and clear, coming from mountain lakes. This city was founded in 1871 by the Colorado Springs Land Company. Manitou lies six miles west at the extreme base of the Mountains. Here are located some of the best mineral springs in the world. Manitou is reached by several railroads and electric cars making trips every thirty minutes. The population of Colorada Springs, including Colorado City, (the oldest town in the State), Manitou and other additions, is about 20,000, including between three and four hundred colored people. There are about thirty miles of electric car lines. There are near twenty Church organizations in the city, one A. M. E. Church and one 2nd Baptist Bhurch. Both congregations are struggling to build a better house of worship. The Baptist Church recently called Rev. Z T. Thistle, of Cheyenne, Wy., but formerly of Nashville, Tenn., a graduate of Roger Williams University. He is at present very ill Rev. T. L. Watson, of the A. M. E. Church, is holding revival services. The school buildings are magnificent. We have a number of organizations. Elpaso Lodge G U. O. of O. F., Masonic Lodge, Household of Ruth and Ladies Court lately organized. We have a number of well-to-do Afro-Americans.

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B. PRILLERMAN,
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Cabell, W. Va.

"The Old Guard."

Washington, D. C., Special.

A meeting was held on the evening of January 26th at the Shoreham Hotel by the surviving members of the 306 delegates to the Republican National Convention of 1880 who sought to secure the renomination of Gen. Grant Resolutions were adopted eulogizing the name of Gen. Grant, and proposing the formation of an association to be known as "The Old Guard." At the meeting twenty-two States were represented. Of those who formed the original band of 306 Grant supporters some 256 are still living. A committee of ten was appointed to make the necessary arrangements for a banquet to be given in Philadelphia, April 27th, the anniversary of Gen. Grant's birth.

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COUNTERFEIT EVANGELISTS.

The Evangelist, or "traveling preacher," is a person who may be authorized to preach, but is not allowed to administer the Eucharist, ordinarily known as the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. His mission is a responsible, and should be a sacred one, to be approached not in a spirit of levity, based upon the main desire to have a "good time" and make money, but to spread the Word, through a clean mouth and a pure heart, as God should give him grace and strength to do so. And although the discipline of the Church forbids him to pass the wine and break the bread, he should place such an estimate upon his sacred calling as not to bring it into derision or cause his hearers to regret his appearance in the pulpit. To the credit of the religion of Jesus Christ, there are many names of good and true Evangelists, living and dead, that might be mentioned, only to be spoken of with the utmost respect and veneration for the piety and beauty of their lives. On the other hand, there has sprung up within the last few years, a veritable army of soul-savers "for money," black, white, grizzly and grey, hailing from the other side of "no man's town," and every point of the compass, who are a positive stumbling block in the way of the gospel, and a disgrace to the supposed sanctity of the pulpit. They are little more or less than traveling "dead beats" and "confidence men" parading in the livery of the court of heaven to serve the devil in. Illiterate, coarse, sensual and vain-glorious, substituting "cheek" for learning, and hypocritical pretense for religious earnestness, they thrive like a green bay tree, especially in the winter season, and out of an impious spirit, that should cause the devil himself to blush, fill their pockets with the hard-earned pennies and dimes of their deluded victims, feasting and drinking the while, the best the markets afford. What matters it to them if the poor old washerwoman, being told she is "giving to the Lord," surrendered the last cent of her scanty earnings, while her babies were put to bed hungry, they being "big men" must first be taken care of "that the work of the Lord "may go on." The spectacle is most lowering and offensive, indeed it is nothing less than criminal, and the law being unable to reach the miscreants, only the unqualified condemnation of the progressive elements of Church and community can be looked to for relief. There is no more relation between the pure religion of Christ, and the foul, irreverent stuff that drops from the lips of such "Evangelists," than there is between the snow white lily and the tar pot, and did the meek and lowly Nazarene see fit to walk with men again upon the earth, he would scourge and drive such sacreligious imposters from the house of the Lord, as on another occasion he did the money lenders from the Temple. As it is, the wonder is, that more of them are not taken by the collar, as was the case one day last week in an Eastern town, and kicked out the church by every member of the indignant trustee board. The sun is too high in the heavens, the family of mankind, black and white, too far removed from the "dark ages," and the persecutions of the "inquisition," to stand idly by, hands down, and countenance such "carryings on," as within the last month, for example, transpired nightly in one of the churches of our city. The religion of Jesus Christ is a strong staff, a beautiful rod, against which the gates of hell shall not prevail; it speaks for itself, can stand alone, and will conquer the world without the assistance of pulpit "dead beats" and peripatetic "confidence men," who foam and rage and bellow, only so long as there is a dollar in sight. Away with such cattle, the Church is better without them, the ministry, the upright, consecrated ministry, are not in need of their services, pure religion knows them not, and mankind generally, can be trusted to expand and grow nearer and nearer to the great white throne, without their insiduous presence and example.

BLAINE. AN ESTIMATE OR TWO.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

Editor Freeman: Your editorial was severe, but just. Neither life nor death, nor things present nor things to come, should prevent the just expression of abhorrence of those who have broken down the defense of the helpless and have defeated measures for the protection of the weak. It is certainly true that no member of the lately enslaved class and the victims of mob and lynch law, has anything for which to be thankful in the career of the late James G. Blaine. He never said a word to cheer the oppressed or to disturb the conscience of the oppressor. He goes to his grave with the lament of the rich, great and stong, but not with the blessings of those who are ready to perish. His brilliant abilities coupled with the support of the sentiment of his state might have enabled him to take the place left vacant by the death of Charles Sumner. But his moral and humane sensibilities were not of that order. He seemed to feel it to be his mission to repress the just and humane sentiments of the Republican party and to eliminate from it all tendency to protect the Negro in his new citizenship, from outrage and murder.

Frederick Douglas, Allah preserve him, is never too great or too occupied to find time to record an opinion, brave and outspoken, on men or measures affecting the members of his race. We apprehend that while he shares the universal homage conceeded to to Mr. Blaine's overmastering brilliancy of mind and strong Americanism as related to his own race, he at the same time, moved by a sense of fealty to the truth, the ever present palladium of his own great life, would have his people read history aright, and place their immortelles only on the brows of those who deserve them.

JOHN CLARK RIDPATH.

James G. Blaine would be president of the United States. This was the dominant passion of his soul and life. Whatever interposed between him and his purpose was in the nature of an eclipse. It is a strange thing that American statesmen have not yet learned that the presidency of the United States goes by accident and indirection, and not by ambition, contrivance and endeavor. Who has long sought the presidency and gained it? The great office not only goes without the ambition of the winner, but with little regard to his merit. Blaine strove for twenty-five years to reach the presidency. He paid down the honest coin of great talents and great endeavor. He had merit and accomplishment. His capacity for the highest place has not been questioned by any.

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What has James G. Blaine contributed to his age and country? Has he really accomplished anything? Has he left a permanent impress? Has he transmitted from himself to his times and to after times something that shall survive and flourish, giving its leaf and fruitage in the Twentieth century? These questions must bring with their answers the true estimate of Blaine's life and work. If he has done nothing, let him pass. If he has left no impress, let the grave close and the grass grow; for the morrow, in that event, will be even as to day.

Blaine has contributed something to his age and country. The very vices of his statesmanship—if such there be—have had a like root and vitality. If he fought off the Chinese it was because he was blinded by his passionate Americanism.

Said brilliantly, but like a white man might say it. Even the Chinese is considered above the Negro. If his fighting off the Chinese was a "vice" of his statesmanship, as the learned historian delicately puts it, what gentle term can he use to let his statesmanship down easy for fighting off the Negro and consigning him to the "tender mercies" of his former masters in slavery. Great is consistency.

D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.

Editor Freeman: I have read your editorial and do not feel that I can concur in your views. I admit that the course taken by Mr. Blaine in reference to the so called "Force Bill" was not in harmony with my views, nor was it beneficial to the colored man of the South, yet Mr. Blaine is not alone among our eastern friends who sought to conciliate the South in ways which we did not think right. Secretary Sumner's erasing of the battle flags' names and his alliance with Horace Greely was eaqually criticised. Hayes' policy was far worse than either. But they are dead and "Nothing of the dead but the good" is a good maxim to be observed.

Because Sumner, Greely and Hayes took steps open to criticism does not in the least mitigate Blaine's position. Mr. Blaine and not the others mentioned was the subject of the editorial referred to. "Nothing of the dead but the good" is a charitable resolution, but unfortunately in Jas. G. Blaine's case, from a race point of view, the good is too infinitesimal for notice. However we appreciate the grace and courtesy of Mr. Straker's opinion.

Fred Douglas is playing out. The other day he made a speech on the Fair Grounds at Chicago, dedicating the Hayti building, and there were scarcely twenty people to hear him.—Fisherman and Farmer.

Simpleton! Whom do you think lost the more, Frederick Douglass, who when he opens his mouth, has the world for an audience, or the unappreciative colord people of Chicago, who, having an opportunity, perhaps for the last time, to hear the foremost Negro in the world failed to do so?

ONE HEART'S STORY.

I could not bear his glance or smile,
I knew my heart too well;
I turned away with quickened step,
To him I'd said farewell.

I could not hear his tender voice,
I knew a chord would wake
Within this heart, that long had wept,
This heart, that could not break.

I could not meet his wondrous eyes,
I knew the secret there;
Their depthless depth, their matchless dark,
What woman's heart could bear?

I could not even risk my hand;
I knew the touch would bring
A thousand mem'ries of the past,
Sharp as an adder's sting.

I turned away; one broken sigh,
One softly whispered word,
Was all that told life's-long regret;
The angels only heard.

NOTICE! CONTRIBUTORS.

Owing to the great demand for "space" on the part of our "regular" correspondents and "news letters," that at all times must be accorded FIRST PLACE. Several excellent contributions are crowded out of this issue, but will appear as soon as practicable. Newspaper men sending contributions to THE FREEMAN will understand us, and others will please observe.

GREAT BRITAN is not wasting much breath just now over the matter, but it's doughnuts to apples, she will have something to say about this Hawaiian matter before it is settled, and if the truth could be known, there's such a fleet of English sea dogs on the way to the Hawaiian port, as will make the United States sloops look helpless beside them. It's the large fish eating up the little one, and if either the big robbers must have a "dead cinch," we are with the home villain, and would sooner see the Stars and Stripes floating over the pretty isles than the Union Jack.

OUR Bynum, the "grass burner" will probe the Whisky Trust to the bottom, the "adulteration" feature and all. All right, Mr Bynum, go ahead, and whoever you implicate, no matter if it is Grover himself, as unkind rumor hath it, much will be forgiven, if through your efforts our congressmen of the future, are saved from a contact of the "jag" that "rattles" and biteth their delicate throats like a serpent.

REPRESENTATIVE Hord's bill, making it a penalty to discharge a man from employment because he's not a "union man" created a decided sensation, and bids fair to make the young man famous, as it should, for the principle of his bill was right. We are proud of Mr. Hord, being an Indianapolitan, and if he keeps his gaze set in the direction he has started, he'll come out the big end of the horn.

REPUBLICANS claim that Martin, the Kansas Populist Senator-elect, will not carry good credentials in his pocket to Washington, on the ground that none of the Populist members of the Kansas House were legally sworn in. When it comes to that Kansas muddle, its mighty hard to tell who are the legal fellows in the fray.

THE church must keep pace with the progress of the hour. Questionable methods and musty doctrines will no longer suffice. The preacher without grace, under an antiquated "stove pipe hat," carrying a shiny satchel containing a box of paper collars is N. G these times.

THE latest from the "little white house" is that only two members of Cleveland's Cabinet have been selected for certain, Carlisle for the Treasury, and Lamont for the Navy, although rumor has been very strong that Gresham will be given the post of State.

"IN times of peace prepare for war," hence the "No-Crinoline League" are getting their instruments of battle in shape to fight the re-entrance of the "hoop skirt" to death.

HOME FOR COLORED BOYS.

Regarding the opening of the Home for newsboys and street urchins of Indianapolis, which was dedicated a few evenings since, THE FREEMAN is in possession of information to the effect, that there is a well-grounded willingness on the part of philanthropically-inclined white citizens of Indianapolis, to co operate in a practical way with the colored people of the city, towards establishing a similar retreat for the sole benefit and occupancy of our poor and homeless colored youth. It is calculated that the sum of $3,000, which it is thought could be easily raised, would start the Home on a sound financial footing, properly officiered and equipped with all the necessary adjuncts and features belonging to such an institution. The idea is a most commendable one, and while it is not understood that there would be any objection to receiving colored applicants in the one already established, it is thought by many, it would be more pleasant and advantageous to all parties concerned if the Homes were separated from each other. The spirits who are willing and anxious to act upon this latter idea, were the moving ones in the Home spoken of above, and insist, that in no respect would the Colored Boys' Home be behind it. Some movement of this kind should certainly be encouraged, for the number of homeless, unfortunate waifs going to the bad upon our streets is growing larger each day. It is a matter that comes directly to us all, especially to the heads of families, for while we are alive to-day, we are neither dead or buried, and what a year or day may bring forth, none of us are permitted to know. In the midst of health, plenty and seeming security against the irony of circumstances, we should not forget the helpless, the mute appeals of the homeless, unfortunate bairns, that stare us in the face from every corner of our growing city. It is not a question of sentiment or politics to be discussed and differ over, but a crying one of humanity, and standing with outstretched hands, and open purses are broad minded humanitarians anxious to join us in making the idea a success. Shall we have the Home is the only question. Parents, ministers of the city, let us hear from you through the columns of THE FREEMAN. What ever is, must be done at once.

FORTUNE ON TAYLOR.

"The Hon. Charles H J. Taylor, of Kansas, is one of the most interesting Afro-American characters in the country, whether regarded as a lawyer, a politician or an editor. In each capacity he has evinced a high order of ability. His hustling capacity is "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." His good nature is unfailing. Even while belaboring an opponent hardest he apologizes for the necessity which compels him to be severe. And he never loses his temper. He made up his mind at an early stage of his career to laugh his way to fame and fortune. Thus far he has succeeded admirably. He says there is more to follow. Mr Taylor was born in Alabama in April, 1856. He got his education in the public school and "picked up" the law, but did it so thoroughly that he has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States. He went West in 1882, and in time became a deputy district attorney of the Nineteenth judicial district of Indiana. Then he went to Kansas and in time served a term as city attorney of Kansas City. He began to vote in 1877, and has been voting the Democratic ticket ever since. He has been the candidate of his party on several occasions for minor positions. President Cleveland sent Mr. Taylor to Liberia to represent the United States as minister resident and consul-general, but after he had enjoyed the warm climate of west Africa for a few months he decided that he did not want any more of it and resigned the position, one of the very first men of his race to resign a presidential office. Mr. Taylor has small patience with gentlemen like Bishop Henry M. Turner, who think that Afro-Americans should go to Africa. He can not understand what they are to go there for.

In addition to his activity in the law and in politics, Mr. Taylor also owns and edits the American Citizens at Kansas City. It is a very breezy publication, and appears regularly once a week all the year round. Mr. Taylor is a very practical politician, with plenty of ambition to draw upon. For twelve years he has attended all the national conventions of his party, and knows personally most of the national Democratic leaders.

"His hustling capacity is a thing of beauty and a joy forever," is good, and true. If Brother Taylor has to drink the hemlock of disappointment, when the whole tedious business is through with, it won't be because he was stingy with the "midnight oil," or failed to turn every stone or mountain to advantage, as he understood and calculated. We love a "sure enough 'hustler,'" he is a continuous joy, and for some reason or other, as the time approaches, we find ourselves anxious that Mr. Cleveland will beat the record in appointing worthy smart Negro's to office. Blood will tell, politics to the "dem bow wows," and while the thing is going around, we would get tolerably warm in the coller, if Mr. Cleveland "placed" all the white applicants, and left the Negro in the lurch. In cases like this, where the "pap" of politics is the prize, we're for the Negro everytime for some of it, no matter whether he rubs his nose on a red bandana, or the stars and stripes; See?

BLAINE died a rich man, his estate crowding a $1,000,000.

SOCIALISM of the rabbid Herr Most type can't root on American soil.

QUEEN LILIUOKALANI started on the right track we think, but seemed to lack decision at the vital moment.

ALAS, for this practical age. The rail-roads of Kansas have decided to charge "men of God" full fare hereafter.

THE Irish Home Rule bill to be introduced by Gladstone provides largely for what the Irish people are clamoring for, without surrendering any of the prerogatives of the crown.

CONSTANT reader. Yes, the Rev. Mr. Bassett of Kokomo is the colored member of the Indiana Legislature. Plenty of time for him to distinguish himself, don't be impatient. [Ed. Freeman.]

OWING to the prominence of the parties engaged, and the fact that Senator McDonald was for so many years a national Democratic leader, the McDonald will case will take its place among the famous trials of the century now drawing to a close.

TWO AWFUL CRIMES.

The last Southern "burning" was horrible, brutal beyond belief, for gentlemen, this is "free" America, and the 19th century. If the great State of Texas rests easier to-day because of this crime, that adds another, and a more "damned spot" to its already soiled and bloody escutcheon, she may be able to say it is well, but humanity everywhere will alike protest against it. But preceding that awful crime was another, and, if anything, more horrible, open to less palliation, and committed by a Negro, self-confessed, if reports are true. Where is the Negro, where the race journal, where the Afro-American, man or woman, who would dare, nay who could, offer one word of defense, print one sentence of condonement for the bestial brute hurried so suddenly before his Maker? What, with the natural misunderstanding and strained relations, which ever arises between a newly freed people, and a former master element, aggravated and fomented, by such crimes as these, the outlook for the race at times, seems dark indeed, its burdens more than it can bear. There are some crimes so brutal, so unnatural, so cruel and inexplicable, that no punishment is too severe, law is forgotten, reason dethroned, and the avengers for the time being are turned into sottish brutes. This seems to have been such a case, and the only excuse that can be offered for the ten thousand people who witnessed the wretched spectacle with shouts of frenzied joy. But who shall say that this was not excuse enough? Haste the day when law, instead of madness shall prevail, double haste the day when the Negro of America, unfortunate and burdened enough at best, whose way is dark and tortuous, may at last be released from the weights that bear him down.

"FAREWELL. AND IF FOREVER."

"The cat will mew, the dog will have his day." We recall the time when the "guitar players" of the race were like the sands of the sea shore in number, but the "guitarist" is no longer a fad, a more formidable one seems to have arisen in his stead. The "elocutionist" is with us, especially the "young lady elocutionist," and she is as prevalent as "leaves in valambrosia." Her success is generally built on "nerve" and the charitable indulgence of a patient people, but the time will yet come, mark ye gods the prediction! the time is hastening on, when a long suffering race of men and women, stretching in numbers from the Cod Fisheries in the East, to the Occident on the West, and from the Great Lakes to the moonlight glades of Florida on the South, will rebel in their might and hurl this heartless creature from her throne. The "guitarist" is lonly, there are few left who knew him in his granduer, when every parlor was open to him, "poor enough to do him reverence" and he must have company. The "elocutionist" who weeps when she should laugh, and simpers like a niny in passages meant to move the heart with tenderness, must go with him, "go and forget that ever we met." Time and again when the "sweet girl" elocutionist has murdered Shakespeare, Longfellow, Tennyson, Moore and our own Whitcomb Riley, piecemeal, and in cold blood, we have yearned for this day of parting. Hail, and farewell pretty maid!

IT'S instructive, the contrast between the tone of Southern papers on the death of Blaine, and that expressed at the death of Butler. In the latter's case no epithet was to vile to shower upon his head, but in Blaine's case many of them seem to out vie the Northern press in extravagant laudation and praise. The reason is plain, one was their friend because he put the Negro in their power, and re-emphasized the heresy of State Soverignity for their special delectation in his assault on the first force bill, the other, rare old Ben Butler, was their bitterest enemy, because he strove to put the Negro forever beyond their hellish persecutions, by invoking to his aid and protection the strong right arm of the general government. But the years will do their work. Benjamin Butler will be given a place in the history of his country that will shine in undimmed lustre when the very names of his detractors have passed from human knowledge, His memory will be venerated, his praises chanted by unborn generations of Negroes yet to be, when the name of Blaine, as far as any special regard the Negro will entertain for it, will be as a tale that is told, a struggling line in the encyclopedias of the day.

NOTHING like enjoying your prerogative to the full. President Harrison had the appointment of a Justice of the Bench, and having to make hay while the sun shone, as his term is growing very short, he appointed a Democrat, after having been assured by Senators of his own party that no Republican he might mention would be confirmed. As usual, Mr. Harrison took the bit in his mouth and came out ahead. The Senate had concluded to play the mule, and the President concluded to beat them at their own game, no matter if he did nominate a man that if you scratch him, will turn out to be States Rights howler. The fun of the thing is hardly worth the price of the whistle. It looks a little strange that under any circumstances a Republican president should give such a position to a Democrat. Because certain Republican Senators displayed a disposition to act foolish, is no reason why our president should have also acted foolish.

The Democratic party once in full power, as will shortly be the case, better go slow about tinkering with the pension law, unless it is to better it.

WE have received important communications from Hon. E. P. McCabe, of Oklahoma, and C. H. Shotwell, Esq., of Chicago, which will appear in our next. Watch for them.

EDITOR'S TALK.

Promptness in business establishes confidence.

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THE FREEMAN is better than ever before; agents must show the people wherein it is.

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It is much better to separate business correspondence from general correspondence; let each be marked so the distinction can be readily seen.

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We have some fifty or sixty packages of cards called "Game of Negro Characters." The regular price of this game is 50c. Desiring to dispose of what we have, we will let them go at 25c or half price. Our agents will do a fine business by sending for these, paying 25c., and disposing of them in their rounds at 35c, or 50c. They are very interesting as well as instructive. No agent can well refuse to take advantage of this unparalleled offer. The following endorsement has been recently received from one of our agents in Virginia.

Mapsville, Va., Jan. 20, 1893

EDITOR THE FREEMAN:

DEAR SIR:—I can't recommend the game of "Negro Characters" too highly; all the teachers I have shown them to, have been highly pleased and want them; if I had them I could sell a great many. Accept my thanks.

CHAS. V. MONK.

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The severe weather has, doubtless, deterred many agents from venturing out during the last six or seven weeks. While enclosed indoors the active, thoughtful agents have mapped out many a plan, considered many ways whereby the circulation could be increased. "It is an ill wind that blows nobody good" is an old adage applying particularly to newspaper agents. When they can't get amongst the people they can combine with enforced rest the planning of new ways and means whereby the people may be reached. THE FREEMAN agents, intelligent, energetic beyond all others, are on the move, keen-scented for business as the below extracts from letters just received will show:

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Barnwell, S. C.: "The paper takes well in our town."

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Gretna, La. "I am still working for the Freeman."

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Holly Springs, Miss. "I think I can get you a goodly number of subscribers."

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Brenham, Tex.: "Rest assured I will do anything I can to increase your circulation."

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Macon, Ga. "I am now on my way to Augusta as was stated in my letter. Mail sample copies to Augusta."

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Danville, Va. "It has been cold and the people are hard up. I havn't sent you any money but I'll send it Monday."

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Lincoln University, Pa. "Mr. —— is now at work and hopes to be able to send in a few names at no distant day."

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Arkadelphia, Ark.: "Some of my customers have been sick, but I think by the next time to report there will be a change."

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Washington, Ark: "I am getting all right again; I went out last week; the people all like the paper. I am going out in the country and towns. I think I will have success."

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Springfield, Mass. "I enclose money for papers. I will not send any copies back for I like to have them to give to people. When I have one left I give it to some one and I get a chance to sell more."

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Kansas City, Mo.: "I regret to have to return papers as bad as you do to have to receive them. On account of severe weather I may not be able to increase my orders; however I will try to keep my orders in for 100 copies weekly."

Strange Prophecy

There is a strangeness of things sometimes for which there cannot be given an account. A young lady, who was afflicted with consumption, died at Lawrence, Kansas, recently. On her death bed she told her former lover, who had unwisely jilted her, that within a month's time after her demise he would also "pass away." Now the young man didn't go off and chuckle to himself, and think that the young lady had talked foolishly or "out of her head," but on the other hand he took the matter seriously to heart. So much so that, indeed, on the foretold day, worried and melancholy-mad he did leave this most bothersome and torturous world. There is a great reflection in this for the superstitious.

ANTE-BELLUM ECHOES.

THE NEGRO THE BONE OF SOUTHERN COMMERCE.

Schedule of Current Rates in the Slave Traffic Just Before the War—Slave Trader's Memorandum.

Norfolk, Va., Special.

By the kindness of Mr. Harris, of Norfolk, we give the following, copied from the original now in our possession. They will prove especially interesting to those who never felt the pangs of slavery and are unacquainted with its horrors:

SALES BY DICKENSON, HILL & CO.
RICHMOND VA.

For and on account with Mr. W. W. Hall, Norfolk.

1858, Dec. 20.

By sales, two girls, Clarky and Rhoda,	$1525 00	
1 Girl, Ann,	650 00	
1 Girl, Lydia,	715 00	
1 Boy, Robinson,	845 00	
1 Boy, Jake,	465 00	
		$4200 00
CHARGES.		
To Commission,	$84 00	
To Board,	4 80	
To Clothes,	15 75	
		104 55
Net Sales		$4095 45

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DICKENSON, HILL & CO.
31 Dec. 1858. By J. Marsh.

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 21st 1850

DEAR SIR:

Above we hand you statements of sales of the six Negros sent up Saturday night, also enclose you a check for $4095 45, the net sales.

Our market still continues about the same and a large number of Negroes coming in and they are sold as fast as they come in.

We are afraid that if they continue to come in such large numbers that the second and third rate Negroes will decline a little. No. 1 Negroes will keep up. We send down by this morning's boat John 5.

The boy, Davy, we will send tomorrow.

DICKENSON, HILL & CO.

Here is a letter written in 1844, the original being in our possession:

Mobile, the 5th of March 1844.

Yours of 22d Feb. came to hand on the 4 of March and its contents noticed. I want no more Negroes. In the first place I cannot make enough to justify the risk at the prices they are bringing in the buying market. I want to come home, so soon as the Negroes arrive you shipped, I shall sell and return home.

You may think it strange that McEwing is on there from the market where I am selling in and pay the prices they are selling for there, and I can't pay the prices to sell in the same state.

Sir, it is my decided opinion that the best men will not bring over $800 this Spring. I would sooner think that Negroes would go down south than advance.

There is nothing to justify the opinion that Negroes will go beyond the prices they are selling for here at this time. You may think it presumptuous in me as many of the experienced traders differ widely.

But such is my opinion and time will prove who is right and who is wrong at all events. I do not wish to pay for it when it appears to me to be inevitable if I was to buy at the prices they are selling for in your market. Money is hard to come at at this time.

I have not got the money yet, I told Pres. and the man I swapped for nor do I expect to get it before the last of this week. Sam is improving. Ned is dead. Cotton has declined 1 1 4cts in the last 10 days, sellers holding firm for a rise and buyers holding off for lower price.

Your bill of laden dated 15 Feb. and your letter dated the 20; its contents Norfolk mailed at Edenton your letter. I don't know what time the Negros went to sea nor how long the vessell will be at St. Marks. If you had written what cargo she had to take out there, or the time the captain might think, I could have formed some opinion at what time I ought to look for her. I received a letter from Johnson. He says times are dull for the last ten days in Orleans, thinks there won't be a dollar made on the last Negroes shipped.

It is strange he should think that a Negro will be bought at any price in Virginia and sold in Orleans at a loss.

If the Negros get here by the fifteenth I shall try and be at home by the tenth of April.—Richmond Planet.

The State of Washington.

Seattle, Wash., Special.

Having read one of your papers handed me by Dr. Burditt, I came to the conclusion to take it a year. My wife and I sit up late nights reading your paper, and we forget we are in the far, far West. It seemed we were in Macon, Ga., by our old home's fireside. We have read of Bishop Gaines and Bishop Turner, and the news of the Sunny South. It makes our hearts beat with gratification to note the progress of the Negro since his emancipation. The city of Seattle is situated on Elliot bay, projecting out of the Pacific ocean. The surrounding country is sublime. There are government lands with trees on them from four to seven feet in diamater. There is much prarie land here that may be inhabited by the Negro in time. My advice is that young men seek homes in the West. We have societies here for the benefit of the Negro. Seattle is a marvelous city, bounded on the West by Elliot bay; on the East by Lake Washington, and on the North by Lake Union. We have eight city railroad lines going the distance of five, six, seven and eight miles. The buildings are beautiful, and, by the way, I own a humble cottage in it. I would be glad, Mr. Editor, to entertain you after the World's Fair, and show you the scenes which I have spoken of. If you desire to pay Seattle a visit, my box number is 483, Seattle, Wash. You may inform me of your start from Indianapolis, and I will receive you with great pleasure in Seattle.

T. C. COLLINS.

Noted Snuff Takers.

Many famous characters, from Dr Johnson and Napoleon Bonaparte down to the present time, have been great snuff takers, but the most extraordinary one was a woman named Margaret Thompson, who lived in England during the reign of Queen Anne. Margaret was an inveterate snuffer, even in those days when snuff taking to excess was considered quite an aristocratic accomplishment, and when she died she exacted a solemn promise from her old servant Sarah, that when her body lay in the coffin she would cover it with good Scotch snuff, before they closed the coffin lid, and that the floor of her state chamber should be thickly strewn with snuff. When her body was carried to the grave her pall was to be borne by four old snuff-taking ladies, one at each corner, and the coffin was to be born by six well known snuff taking men, all of whom were to be furnished with new snuff boxes and snuff galore during the procession. Sarah was to precede the bier, and at every twenty steps was to throw a quantity of snuff into the air, so as to set every one to sneezing. The officiating priest was to receive one pound of tobacco (quite a quantity in those days), and a legacy of $25 if he saw that the last wishes of the deceased were duly fulfilled. And all this was done!

Procrastination.

One of the greatest evils that tends to blight the happiness of a young man is procrastination which like a monster seeks whom it may devour. Whenever a young man starts out in life to do something for himself and for his race, procrastination steps up and produces delay and says wait, wait awhile. Procrastination seeks into everything and devours time hence called "the thief of time" which is not a mere saying but a true fact. We should not allow procrastination to steal our time. It is continually stealing the time of men and women, stealing their time religiously and morally. The devourer is in the church and Sunday-schools. We cannot all be as great as Alexander; but so great as to conquer the "thief of time." When Alexander went out to conquer the world his captain and friends reproved him for not reserving anything for himself, Alexander replied I reserve much for myself for I am of full hope of being the monarch of the whole world. Then let us conquer procrastination.

D. L. BANKS.
Omaha, Neb.

Good Came out of Evil,

"When the war closed there were about 600 Negroes owned by the Crook Indians When they were free the Indians attempted to drive them out of the territory, but the government wouldn't permit it, but make them citizens of the Creek nation and clothed them with all the rights and privileges of a full-blood. The Indians were compelled to accept this state of affairs For a while they badly treated their black-skinned brothers, heaping all sorts of indignities upon them, which were borne with patient fortitude. When the lands were divided the government gave them a pro rata share. They have increased in population, now numbering about 2,000, raised respectable families and are doing well. They vote and are elected to office, own prosperous farms, educate their children and made good citizens. The two races get along admirably together, and seem to be the happiest colored people on the American continent."—St. Louis Republic.

Bryan Texas.

The teachers of this (Brazos) county organized a teachers institute, Jan. 28. They elected Prof. W. B. Moore as president, R. S. Lewis, secretary, Miss L. V. Kenard, treasurer, and Miss J. Williams, librarian. Prof. L C, Anderson principal of the Prairie View Normal School, was in the city on business on the 28th ult. The ladies of the A M E. church gave an entertainment for their pastor, Rev. W. H. Weathers the 28. Rev D. H. Shivers, pastor of Shiloh Baptist church, and Rev. Anderson, went to Hearne, on the 28 to attend a rally at Rev. F. A. Light's church.

A STRANGE TESTAMENT.

A MOTHER BEQUEATHES VALUABLE PROPERTY TO HER LOVER,

While her Children are Penniless—The Will to be Contested—The Claims of the Contestor.

Oakland, Cal., Special.

Notice of contest of a peculiar will was filed in the probate department of the superior court yesterday at Oakland, California, by Frank Hartley Jones, attorney for the heirs of Mrs. Mary E. Thompson, late owner of the Minnehaha saloon, at 319 Jackson street, in the city, and of other real estate at Butte, Mont. The will was filed several weeks ago by R. W. Stokes, bartender at the saloon, who applied to be appointed sole executor. It reads as follows:

OAKLAND, CAL., Nov. 25, 1892.

Dictated by Mary E. Thompson, To whom it may concern—I, Mary E. Thompson, after due consideration and in a present state of mind, do hereby declare that R W. Stokes will have full control of all my claims, that he has been to me a husband and a friend, and in him I place all confidence and by the law of God and man I declare him in my stead. I, Mary E. Thompson, have full power to give away all personal effects, real estate or other property in my name to a choice. R W. Stokes, the only one on earth, I think is entitled to my affection and respect.

I, therefore, declare him my choice. I have no recognized relations. None that I care to inherit any of my gains left behind. I, Mary E. Thompson, have two children living, a boy, Johnnie, eighteen; a girl, Maggie, seventeen; the girl I have not seen nor do I know that she lives or not, but the boy has been around me going on three years. He has never respected me as a mother but has caused me much trouble. Therefore, I don't care that he be allowed anything only stated. R. W, Stokes will control my business, the saloon, 319 Jackson street. He will pay all bills and receipt the same in his name. He will be administrator without bonds and claim all personal effects of mine. But if the saloon is sold it must require the signature of the boy, whose share will be $500 and half the remainder to my daughter Maggie and the other half to Stokes, But if the saloon is sold for debt the remainder will be divided in three shares, all three receiving the same. At this I fix my hand and witness by Mary E. Thompson on this 25th of November in the year of our Lord 1892 at 4:30 in the afternoon. Alameda County, California,

The contestor claims that his mother Mrs. Mary E. Thompson, was unduly influenced by Stokes, she being at the time in California away from any friends or relations, save only said R. W. Stokes. A special administration is asked for, that the property new solely in his possession might not be disposed of. Every effort is being used to find the absent sister. Although the will only claims $5,000, the contestor will show that her entire effects are worth $20,000. These parties are all well known in Washington and Seattle and are Afro-Americans.—Exchange.

Desoto, Mo.

Rev. B. McCain has had a very successful revival at the M. E. Church. Rev. Milton Turner has been called to Tennessee to preach this year. Will Debose, one of the gay beaux of Desoto, is in the employ of the Pullman Car Company. W. L. Smith has a fine new house of ten rooms, all handsomely furnished, and Rev. Long, who recently lost his wife, makes his home with Mr. Smith. Henry Casey, our colored engineer, has been employed by the electric light company. Captain McLane, of the Commercial Hotel, spent a few days last week in St. Louis, Levi Logan is the drummer and secretary of the band, he is a hard student and a regular reader of The Freeman.

Negroes Should Classify.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special,

The colored people of this section are in a little better shape than those of our race who live farther south, but we are not doing as well as we would like. We have in our little city two police, four mail carriers, five lawyers, three doctors, one justice of the peace, and scores of men in other lines of business, that pays them well. Our public school is taught by colored teachers, still that oppression is here in all its glory and we are made to feel it, not by that individual contempt or prejudice so common in the South, but in public places. The city park, which is only a "mudhole," is decked with a large sign at the gate that reads thus, "Colored people admitted as servants only." We are cut off from the theater only when we go in parties of twelve couples. At the depot we are sent down stairs to a dark, dirty and dingy place where the Dago or any tough character may go, you can see this sign over the door "colored people's room," in large gilt letters. We are debarred from the soda fountains of the city drug stores, We would not have to suffer these things were it not for the actions of some of our own people. To explain this, there is what is known among the white people, as a good and bad element. So when a white man is poor and drunk or does not move in a certain circle, he does not intrude on the better element at any time. Not so with a colored man, all that is necessary is for him to see a colored person at a place he goes also, his character or conduct may not be as good as the man who was there first, but he goes all the same. The head man of the place, who is white, soon sees the importance of cutting off such a man, so to be sure he is right, he cuts off all colored people. Now if we had that classification that teaches some men that they are not as well dressed, or has not the fine manners or that he fails to treat colored ladies with as much respect, or that he has not the social standing, the intellect, the self pride, the cleanliness, etc., of some other member of his race, why, he wouldnot intrude his presence where only such traits are desired. He has no right to associate with people who are trying against all odds to respect themselves. If this classification could be brought about the better element of colored people, would have a great many advantages they deserve in the South, because the bad element would not dare to intrude. Hence, the head man of the places of amusement could admit the better element and feel that he would not come in contact with the bad element. But the bad conduct of a few hurts the entire race in the South. White people are this way, "birds of a feather flock together." Colored people "all flock together," Hence confusion. This is the state of things here and I hope soon we may find a remedy. L C. Lilliston was in the city the past week. John Hously who has owned and controlled the bill boards for the past twenty years, is very sick.

A Foreigner Speaks.

Portland, Oregon, Special.

Dear Sir:—In reading The Freeman of January 28th, I saw mention of myself, and the fact of my foreign nativity. I am highly pleased with The Freeman and have sent many copies to friends in Liberia, who are also delighted. My native home is Cape Palmas, on the West coast of Africa. My friends over there can scarce understand the constant furore over the Afro-American, here in this Christian land, this "Home of The Free," etc, also why They are designated by so many names. I have had what I call a valuable opportunity, that of travelling with a gentleman, around the world. I have been in England, Ireland, Scotland, France, Germany Russia, Austria, Turkey, Greece, Italy, Norway, Denmark, Switzerland, China, Japan, and parts of Africa, and of all the races I have seen, I have never heard so much talk of different names as I have heard over the name for African descendants. I think that Afro-Americans should feel proud of our forefather's land. There is much said about the Quadroon and Octoroon in the United States, why. in Africa there are sixty times more Quadroons and Octoroons than here in America, and they all feel proud of their great grandfather's land, and we should be not ashamed of the country of our ancestors. I will leave America for Liberia soon, Yours truly,

H. R. R. WOODS.

Escapes Punishment.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Albert Cornish, whom we mentioned in our last issue, as being confined in the county jail on the charge of embezzling the U. B. F. Lodge out of $480, was released from custody Wednesday. The court stated that the case was a peculiar one, inasmuch as the evidence showed that Cornish was guilty, yet he could not be prosecuted for the reason that the organization which he robbed was not a corporation, therefore he was given his liberty. Samuel Slaughter died last Friday of consumption at his home on Center street. He was a Christian young man and a prominent member of the U. B. F Lodge. Leonard Figg was killed last Wednesday morning while on his way to work, by walking into a broken electric wire at Preston and Jefferson street, Miss Annie Hicks, teacher of drawing in the University, corner of Eighth and Kentucky street, has applied for space in the Kentucky building at the World's Fair, in which to exhibit the work done by the pupils of the University. Dr. R. S. Rice, of Cincinnati, was in the city a few days last week on business. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilson, is very ill with spinal trouble. Rev. Wm. Jamison, pastor of Little Zion Church, is having great success in his revival.

Mount Vernon, Ind.

Much interest prevails in the revival meeting now in progress at the A. M. E. Church, Rev. S. M. Smothers pastor. The Democrat, the leading white daily, speaks as follows: "The revival at the A. M. E. Church is simply wonderful, Fifty-seven have been converted, seven are at the altar and twenty stood up to be prayed for. Elder S. M. Smothers, the pastor, says he will save one hundred souls before the meeting is over." The new church will not hold the people, white and colored, who seek to enter. Rev. Smothers deserves great credit.

AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

THE RACE'S BEST MUSICAL TALENT WILL APPEAR IN A MUSICAL

Drama—The Plan of Preparation—President Harrison Intercedes—Hon. Fred. Douglass Interested.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

At length it has been decided that the Negro race will be represented at the World's Fair by a distinctive exhibit. For the past two years the colored people have made strenuous efforts to achieve this results, but until recently these efforts have been unavailing.

The directors of the big show were opposed to the plan, and their opposition for many months could not be overcome. Not to be discouraged, the colored people concentrated all their efforts to secure a chance to display the acknowledged musical ability of the race. Hon. Frederick Douglass, has a young protege in the person of Mr. Will M. Cook, whom he took up to the White House and introduced to President Harrison, urging him to assist Mr. Cook, in his efforts to have his opera, which is founded on the story of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," produced in the World's Fair grounds.

The President, after learning of Mr. Cook's plans, decided to assist him. He gave him a letter to Director-General Davis, armed with which Mr. Cook went to Chicago and secured the right to give concerts within the World's Fair grounds.

A grand chorus consisting of the leading jubilee companies is now in training and the greatest soloists of the Negro race have been secured. A role has been created for the famous Black Patti. Mme. Sisseretta A Jones, who is pronounced by musical critics to be exceptionally fine.

The colored people all over the country are taking an active interest in the matter. The expense for costumes, training, etc., is to be met by a series of preliminary concerts in the principal cities of the country. The first of these will be given in New York on February 13th in Carnegie Music Hall. Some of the leading society people will be patrons of the entertainment.

There is no doubt that a grand opera company composed of the grandest singers of the colored race would be a novelty well worth seeing. The Negro's love for music is proverbial, and now that such singers as these trained, something of the highest merit will yet be done by them.

A Colored Alderman.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Our city is known as the "Queen City of Tennessee." Last Thursday night was the annual meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the city. The different committees made their annual reports and we are glad to see that Alderman Page made a good showing for the ward he represents (9th), also for the Market house, of which he is chairman of the committee. It was predicted by the knowing ones that it would not do to elect a Negro, as it was not the place, for the whites would be against him. But the prediction has failed and he has done something, and his annual report shows that he has done as much as any other Alderman on the Board and stands well with them, and to a man they treat him kindly and as a man. Alderman Page has done much to solve the great Negro problem. What the Negro wants is a chance and he will show to the world what he can do. Therefore, I say give him a chance; let the Negro work for the Negro and he will get there. We are sorry that Dr. C. V. Roman is about to leave us. He has been in our midst for more than two years as a practicing physician. His stay among us has been a very pleasant and profitable one. He has done much in training our people to trust their own professional men. He is a man of great ability and has few equals in his profession. He was recognized here by the white physicians and was called in consultation by them frequently. He will possibly locate in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Edmund Cross keeps a first-class barber shop for colored people. He has four chairs, two bath tubs and first-class barbers.

Wheeling, Va.

Mrs. Dr. B. J. Stillyard died Feb. 1st, in the 27th year of her age. She was born July 8th, 1866, at Fairmont, West Va, and was the daughter of Alfred Mead, of that city. She was married to Dr. Stillyard, Sept. 15th, 1886 and came immediately to live in Wheeling, where they resided until March, 1888. They then moved to Topeka, Kans. and lived there three and a half years, but returned to Wheeling on account of her failing health. She died after an illness of more than a year, in the full triumph of faith saying: "There is no death. I will step over and put my feet down and rest myself." These were her last words. Kansas papers please copy.

Bowling Green, Ky.

Rev. W. S, Baker preached at Eleventh Street church Sunday and had a very nice crowd. Rev Harrington, of Nashville, Tenn., is in the city. He paid Simmon's Memorial College a visit and addressed the students. The Young Ladies' Reading Circle met at the residence of Miss Lizzie P. Wilson. There were not many present but an enjoyable time was spent Mr. Samuel Ellis is very sick. Miss Clara Drake is up after several week's illness. Mrs. Alice Edwards is sick. Rev. Robert Mitchell, A. M., pastor of the State Street Baptist church, has accepted the pastoral care of the Fourth Street Baptist church of Owensboro, Ky. There was a pleasure party at the residence of Miss Jennie L. Murphy. The A. M. E. church has 78 converts. The State Street Baptist church baptized 19 persons. Communion services followed. John Offutt is canvassing for the Boston Art Gallery, with success. The Sunday School Union will meet at the State Street Baptist church on Sunday. They have a nice programme arranged for next Sunday. Deacon Sandy Duncan will leave for Evansville.

HARRISON'S BLUNDER.

No Explanation for his Strange Action.—Miss Well's Lecture.

Washington, D C., Special.

Man is wont to blunder. He is constituted that way. President Harrison is not free from this fault. He has added another blunder to his long list. Of course no man can please every other man. That's a settled fact and nowhere so prominently illustrated as in public life. Last week the President appointed to a judgeship, in the highest tribunal in the world, a democrat—Jackson by name—from Tennessee. Think of it, the unwritten law of political parties violated. A Republican appointing a Democrat to office to wield his influence for life. If there was a dearth of Republicans, Harrison might have abstained from appointing at all, He certainly didn't take into consideration his own popularity in taking this step. The Supreme Court is composed now of five Republicans (so called) and three Democrats (faithful to their party.) What idea Harrison had in his mind in appointing Judge Jackson is occult. He certainly should have appointed a Republican. It is hinted that he intended to appoint his old associate, Attorney General Miller, to the vacant circuit judgeship. Whether this is good policy or not remains to be seen but he has certainly given Cleveland a chance to make this high tribunal thoroughly Democratic. And no one would think for a moment that Cleveland will reciprocate by appointing a Republican to the bench when the next vacancy occurs. It is very bad policy and has made Harrison very unpopular among the partisan members of his party.

The splendid letter of the Washington Correspondent of the Indianapolis World, giving an inside view of the medical department of Howard University, was one of the finest we have read, in keeping with the ability of the author and the excellent position occupied by this school. The committee of the house on Library, of which Mr. A. J. Cummings is chairman, last week made a report favoring the appropriation of the sum of $50,000 to be used by the Government Commission in getting together an exhibit to illustrate the industrial advancement of the colored man in the United States since the year of 1863. This is open to criticism. Probably the motive which inspired the report was all right, but it is too late to collect anything to reflect credit upon the race. $50,000 is too small a sum. It is not much more than sufficient for traveling expenses. The measure will hardly escape the objection of Mr. Holman so it will doubtlessly fail. If any exhibit should have been provided for it should have been undertaken a year ago. But it is too late now and the Negro ought to be content to let his industrial progress speak for itself in the future. The audience which gathered at the meeting of the Bethel Literary Association last Thursday evening, listened to one of the best essays which has ever been presented to a body of its sort. The essayist was Mr. A. S, Spofford, Librarian of the Congressional Library, and he was at his best. He has had the care of books for so many years that he seems to have become a part of them, breathing them in every thought. His essay on "The Art of Reading" was a masterly one as all who heard it to appreciate it can attest.

Miss Ida B. Wells gave her celebrated lecture here last Wednesday evening, at Metropolitan Church, to a large audience. She was introduced by Hon. Frederick Douglass and held the attention of the audience for over an hour, by the graphic account of Lynch law. She is doing her race a great justice and educating the world in the intricate ways of lynching. All honor to her.

Taylorville, Ill.

Rev. J. A. Collins is in St. Louis assisting in a protracted meeting. Mr. H. Fields, of Palmer, Ill., spent Sunday with his niece, Mrs. C. H. Steward. Mr. Adam Fauntroy has returned to Springfield after spending a few days with friends and relations. Messrs Long and Stokes, of Decatur, spent Sunday with their best girls. Mr. Joseph Bell is sick. We are glad to say that C. H Stewart is much better. Mrs. Elizabeth Graves will make her future home in Shelbyville, Ill.

Our Journalists and Literary Folks
PASTE

I observed a locomotive in the railroad car one day,
It was waiting in the roundhouse, where the locomotives stay;
It was panting for the journey, it was coaled and fully manned,
And it had a box the fireman was filling full of sand.

It appears that locomotives cannot always get a grip
On their slender iron pavement, 'cause the wheels are apt to slip;
And when they reach a slippery spot, their tactics they command,
And to get a grip upon the rail, they sprinkle it with sand.

It's about this way with travel along life's slippery track,
If your load is rather heavy and you're always sliding back;
So, if a common locomotive you completely understand,
You'll provide yourself in starting with a good supply of sand.

If your track is steep and hilly and you have a heavy grade.
And if those who've gone before you have the rails quite slippery made.
If you ever reach the summit of the upper tableland.
You'll find you'll have to do it with a liberal use of sand.

If you strike some frigid weather and discover to your cost,
That you're liable to slip on a heavy coat of frost,
Then some prompt, decided, action will be called into demand,
And you'll slip way to the bottom if you haven't any sand.

You can get to any station that is on life's schedule seen,
If there's fire beneath the boiler of ambition's strong machine,
And you'll reach a place called Flushtown at a rate of speed that's grand.
If for all the slippery places you've a good supply of sand.

—Richmond (Ind.) Register.

The Boston Courant is the only race paper in Boston.

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Hon. Frederick Douglas has added about one hundred and fifty pages to his life and memoirs.

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Bishop Turner is expected to sail for Africa in company with the Rev. A. L. Ridgel in a few days.

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Dr. J. C. Price, sustained his former reputation before the Nineteenth Century Club in New York City recently.

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Editor John C. Dancy of the A. M. E. Zion Quarterly has published the first almanac published by a Negro since the war.

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The Rev. Albery A. Whitman M. D., has resigned the pastorate of St, James church, Dallas, Tex. He is succeeded by the Rev, J. P. Holmes.

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T. W. Swan has secured a position on the editorial staff of the Philadelphia Daily Ledger, one of the leading white dailies in the country.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, wife of Robert Terrell, of the fourth auditor's office is the first woman elected president of the celebrated Bethel Literary club of Washington, D. C.

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Rev. M. W. Gilbert, President of the Baptist College, of Jacksonville, Fla., and editor of the Southern Courier has accepted the pastorate of a Baptist church in Jacksonville, Fla.

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Miss Hallie Q. Brown while in California lectured at the leading white institutions of learning in that state, in the interest of the college she represents and was highly successful.

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On Jan. 10, Mr. W. H Thomas of Boston delivered a paper before the Bethel Literary at Washington, D. C. entitled "Are American Negroes Qualified to Engage in African Colonization and Evangelization."

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The question of employing married women as teachers in the public schools is being agitated by the Indianapolis school board, with a chance of the efforts protesting their employment prevailing. Seven of the lady teachers employed in the colored schools are married.

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Mr. E. Farquhar of the Scientific Library, Interior Department, delivered an addressed on "Bismark and Cavour; the recent progress of their nations, in comparison and contrast," at the last meeting of the Bethel Literary. The paper was most instructive. Hon. Frederick Douglass in a brief speech thanked the speaker for his effort.

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At a recent examination for admission to the freshman class, of Chicago University Miss Cora B. Jackson, of Washington, D C., received the highest mark and was awarded a scholarship for the University course Miss Jackson is a graduate of the City High School and was a member of the preparatory class at Howard University last year.

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The Virginia Baptist State Sunday-school convention has decided to established in Virginia an Afro-American Baptist Publication Society, the object of which will be similar to that of the American Baptist Publication society. A quarterly will be edited by Joshua A. Crawford, editor of the "Councelor and Herald," in which the whole concern will be explained. The project has been endorsed by the national convention of colored Baptists and will be a national concern. The headquarter will be in Richmond, Va.

TO THE COLORED VOTERS

OF THE NINTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ALABAMA.

Birmingham, Ala., Special.

Your attention is called to the Bowman, Parsons and Moseley combine of Jeffersonian Democrats and the Lilley White Republicans, and see if they will do for a colored man to vote for, or see if they have the colored man's interest at heart, or the interest of the People's party. Mr. P. G. Rowman, as chairman of the Jeffersonian Democratic party, on the 8th of June, 1892, passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That in future campaigns none but white Democrats, who will pledge themselves to vote for its nominee, will be eligible to vote in the primaries."

The Parsons and Moseley wing held a convention on April 11, 1889, and organized the White Republican party for the purpose of cutting loose from the Negro—for they said so. The first resolution they passed was that the name of this party should be the "White Republican Protective Tariff League."

Mr. Joseph H Parsons, now a candidate for Congress of the Ninth District, is a member of this White League Protective Tariff party, who say by their action, that a colored man is not in it as far as anything else but to vote for their man. How can a People's party man, or a colored man, vote for a White Republican Protective Tariff League man, when their declaration of principles are directly opposed to the interest of both the People's party and the Negroes?

Now, how can any Alliance man or Negro, with due regard to himself or family, or principles, vote for Mr. Parsons.

Mrs. Will'am Mason, of Decatur. Ala., is the guest of Miss Olivia Patterson, is also attending the M. E. Annual Conference being held in this city. R. Cole, of Woodlawn, died Jan. 28th. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a member of the Odd Fellows. He leaves a wife and two children. Mrs. L A. Ruffin has gone to visit friends in southeastern Arkansas.

AFRICAN ARISTOCRACY

AT THE WEDDING ALTAR. THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTIES.

MISS ALICE VICTORIA LUMPKIN AND MR. S. BENJAMIN EDWARDS, ALL OF WEST AFRICA. A BEAUTIFUL SCENE.

Lagos, West Africa, Special.

A large, fashionable and brilliant gathering assembled in the Wesleyan Church Tinubu, on Thursday morning the 24th ult., to witness the marriage of Mr. Samuel Benjamin Edwards, of Sierra Leone, with Miss Alice Victoria, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lumpkin, Broad street.

As the clock struck eleven, the bridegroom arrived in a carriage, and took a special seat provided for him. At 11:25 the bride superbly dressed entered the church leaning on the arm of her father, with two pages bearing her train, and attended by thirteen bridesmaids. She was led to the altar by her father and was joined by the bridegroom when the ceremony which was very impressive, was commenced by the Rev. W. B. Euba, the Revs F. J. Martin, S. P. Johnson and J. E. Wright, taking part The bride was given away by her father. At her side stood Mrs, J. S. Bucknor, Mrs. M. A. Rollings, Mrs, A. Pratt and Miss A Bucknor, whilst the bridegroom was supported by the Hon. C. J George. Messrs. Adolphus Pratt, J. B Mends and J. W. Horton. At the conclusion of the ceremony and before signing the register, the bride who was saluted by the bridegroom stood for a while near the altar and received the felicitations of her friends. The couple afterwards repaired to the vestry and subscribed their names to the register. His Excellency, the Governor, Mrs. Denton, Mrs Bucknor, Mrs Pratt, Hon. C. J. George, Mr. A. Pratt, Mrs. Rollings, Miss Bucknor, Messrs. Horton and Mends, Messrs. Coker and Reffle (cousins of the bride) signing also as attesting witnesses. On leaving the church the wedded pair accompanied by the guests, drove to the residence of the bride's parents, where a large gathering of friends were assembled disporting themselves to the delectableness of the native "gombay" dance, and who, on the approach of the newly wedded pair, spread their "wrappers" on the ground for the bride to walk upon, but mulcted the bridegroom and guests of the same tribe as the bride severely for the privilege.

Besides his Excellency, G. T. Carter, C. M. G.; Capt. A. F. Tarbet, acting private secretary; Hon. and Rev, J. Johnson, M. A.; and Hon. C. J. George, J. P.; the guests were numerous and select.

The bride wore a dress of ivory white train and bodice of rich surah silk and skirt of brooche, also bodice front of same made in pretty French style and trimmed with orange blossoms and pearls, with high box collar; train bordered with orange blossoms and lace; long veil and wreath. She wore a pearl necklace with silver brooche, earrings and bangles and carried a handsome boquet of white flowers and a white feather fan. The bridesmaids wore dresses of pretty coral pink crepon made in the simple and fashionable loose style so becoming to the young with cream lace pointed yokes and wrist sleeves with broad pink silk sashes to match tied lovely at one side, cream chip hats trimmed with lace ribbon and pink trails of flowers. Cream gloves and kid court shoes with pink stockings, they wore silver broches and earrings, gifts of the bridegroom, and carried small baskets of flowers tied up with pink ribbon. The pages were dressed in cardinal velvet suits trimmed with white lace, trencher hats to match, with mortar boards; white stockings and gloves and court shoes.

At 2:30 p. m., the newly wedded couple and guests repaired to Orange House, the residence of Mr. J. A. Otomba Payne, Chief Registrar, where under a spacious marque erected in the grounds, the company sat at refreshments, and whilst partaking of it, the bridegroom received a telegram from his friends in Sierra Leone, conveying their congratulations. The wedding cake was cut by Miss Bucknor and Mr, J. W. Horton. The toast to the health of the bride and bridegroom was proposed in a most appropriate speech by the Hon. C. J. George, to which the bridegroom made a suitable response; and Dr. Obassa next proposed the toast of "the bridesmaids" to which Mr. G. H. Savage responded. The Hon, and Rev, J. Johnson in a very impressive speech, proposed the toast of the "parents of the bride" to which Mr. Lumpkin responded in appropriate and touching words. The other toasts included "the friends and relatives of the bridegroom," proposed by Mr. J. A. Otomba Payne, and responded to by Mr. J. B. Mends; "the ladies" proposed with great poetic fervour by Mr. J. J. Thomas, to which Mr. J. E. Shyngle responded: "the Chairman," proposed by Rev. W. B. Euba, and to which the Hon. C. J. George made a suitable response. On the conclusion of the toasts the bride and bridegroom rose, and followed by some friends, repaired to the residence of the bride's father and shortly after embarked for Victoria to spend their honeymoon. the bride's travelling dress was a lemon crepon handsomely trimmed with lemon ottoman silk, with shades of chocolate stripes crosswise; she wore a hat of lemon straw with French trails of roses and lace and ribbons. The happy pair departed for Victoria amidst cheers.

The bride and bridegroom were the recipients of numerous and costly gifts from friends in the Colony at Sierra Leone and in England. The happy pair will shortly be leaving Lagos for Sierra Leone and have our best wishes for a long life of happiness and prosperity.

Afro-American Enterprises.

Natchez, Miss., Special.

The mills here employ colored men and pay them at the end of each week. The churches are prospering. Rose Hill Baptist Church, the oldest church in town, has been torn down in order to build a new one. The foundation and corner stone have been laid, but work has been suspended on account of lack of money. The white people did not want the church built in the old place and are opposing them al they can. There are two building and loan associations here, the first one is managed by Hon. L. J. Winston, who employs five or six clerks. Natchez has some very fine houses, built by L. G Winston. The second one is managed by Hon. G. F. Bowles, member of the House of Representatives of Mississippi, he has three or four clerks. Hon. G F. Bowles is also a first-class lawyer. A young man shot his mother and little cousin. People are in town getting merchants to supply them this year and giving mortgages to the merchants and those who have not land will have to give security on their property such as mules, horses and cows, wagons, buggies, and at the end of the year some will come out in debt and lose their property. Some of the colored stores in town are doing a little business, and if our race would patronize them they would build up our race.

IN MEMORY OF BUTLER.

ELOQUENT EULOGIES BY BRUCE, PINCHBACK, MORRIS, DR. SHADD, PHŒBE COUSINS, CONGRESSMAN BROSICUS, AND DR. PURVIS—A NOTED EVENT.

Washington, D. C. Special.

The Butler Memorial Meeting has come and gone. It occured in the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, one of the largest and most beautiful in the city and of which Mr. Rev. Geo. Lee is the pastor. He has done more in educating our people to higher aims and ideals than has any other pastor in Washington. All thinking men will admit that. The memorial meeting Dr. Shadd said was the greatest in every respect, ever witnessed in the nation's capital. Meeting was called to order by Col. E. M. Hulet. Rev. Scott with ease and grace introduced Hon. Elijah Morse, of Massachusetts, who was a soldier under Gen. Butler. He said the illustrious departed had rendered crowning services to his country; 1st, by capturing and governing the rebel city of New Orleans; 2nd, by quelling the draft riots of New York; 3rd, by saving Washington from the rebel troops, and last, but not least, he forestalled Abraham Lincoln in issuing his Emancipation Proclamation. His peroration was brief and eloquent. Hon Frederick Douglass, being ill, Mr. Chas W. Morris, of Kentucky, in beautiful language, clothing chaste and eloquent thought, kept the multitude cheering for ten minutes. Without a doubt Chas. Morris is the most eloquent young orator in these United States. Miss Phœbe Cousins, of Missouri, brought down the house by saying that while the white man and the black man are free, the black woman and the white woman are slaves still. She said Gen. Butler was a great soldier, a great politician, a great statesman, a good husband, and a glorious man. Col. Calvin Chase reported a magnificent set of resolutions, extolling the patriotism and noble qualities of Gen. Butler. Congressman Brosicus, of Pennsylvania, for the next twenty minutes kept the house enthralled by his burning impassioned language filled with the fires of justice and patriotism. Mr. Brosicus said Gen, Butler was devoted to his country devoted to his army, devoted to his family and devoted to his God. This congressman is indeed a worthy representative from Thadeus Steven's old congressional district and whose constituency he represents. Congressman Taylor, of Ohio, said that the colored man's freedom was only one half won, his enfranchisement only one half given, the rebellion only one half crushed and slavery but one half killed. Dr. C. B. Purvis, son of the great Anti-Slavery Agitator, and who is himself one of the race's greatest men, in cultured language, in language made eloquent by beautiful pathos and grandeur, illustrated, as no one but this distinguished surgeon can, the manly, heroic traits, the patriotism of the illustrious dead. In my opinion he made the most appropriate speech of the memorial meeting, characterized as it was by facts, anecdotes, mournful sympathy and beautiful pathos. Ex-Governor Pinchback, of Louisana, and Ex Senator Bruce, of Mississippi, each paid his tribute although Gov. Pinchback paid the larger. Both of the gentlemen knew the departed and it was evident their gratitude to him was boundless, All in all this was the greatest memorial meeting, among black people, ever occuring in Washington. Everyone here is unanimous about that. The present generation will never pay tribute to the memory of a greater man. Butler was a lover of human liberty and human rights. He loved right not because it was in the moral code, but because his nature hated wrong. He loved us because we were men and had proved our valor on more than one hard fought field of battle. When he recommended Holland and Fleetwood to President Lincoln to be made captains, he did it not because they were black, but because they were heroes. God grant that his ashes rest in peace and his example be emulated by some of those whom his words aided to be free.

F. J. WEBB JR.

Union City, Tenn.

Rev. S. Hutchinson is lecturing on the Scripture at the A. M. E. church. William Morris disappeared from his home in this city about the 15th of November, '92 leaving a wife and three children, and has not been heard from since. Prof. T. S. Davenport has enlarged his confectionary business, near Mrs. Thos. Overby's grocery Mrs. Cassandra Crowell left Jan. 28th for St. Louis to attend the funeral of her father, Rev. J. H. Hill. Ten colored men broke jail here Jan. 24th. Two have been captured. Mrs. A. E. Draper is sick.

Lynched Him Anyhow.

Birmingham, Ala., Special.

In Picknes county, two nights ago, May Davis, a respectable white girl, aged 13, gave birth to a Negro child, confessing that James Williams, colored, was its father. Williams was arrested by officers, who, while taking him to the country jail last night were over-powered by a masked mob at Coal Fire swamp, and the prisoner hanged to a tree and his body riddled with bullets. In this case there was no rape, but a case of mutual agreement.

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Petersburg has two prospective schools for orphans.

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Two colored Democrats have been given places in the New York legislature.

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In Louisiana "the brother in black" has accumulated $18,000,000 worth of property.

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Addison Foster, the well known undertaker of Philadelphia, died recently.

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Hon. Frederick Douglass has been appointed on the general inauguration committee.

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"The Pirates of Penzance" was produced at Philadelphia recently by a colored opera company.

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One of the handsomest wreaths at General Butler's funeral was sent by Hon. Frederick Douglass.

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The colored people of Mississippi pay taxes on $13,000,000 worth of real estate, and yet they are disfranchised.

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Julius Anderson has held the position of night clerk in the leading white hotel of Helena, Mont, for five years.

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James Williams arose in a revival meeting at Chicago and confessed to two horrible murders. He has been adjudged insane.

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William Grimage, of Baltimore, has a fine studio at his residence, and at the late colored fair took the first prize for his excellent work.

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Hon. D. J. Wallace, the Negro Representative in the House of Representatives of the Oklahoma Legislature, is the central figure.

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Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Murphy (the jockey), celebrated the 10th anniversary of their wedding in princely style at Lexington, Ky., Jan. 24th.

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Chatham county, Ga., has two Afro-American justices of the peace—Judges G. A. Davis and J. F. Andrews. The former was re-elected.

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Rev. Benj Williams, 104 years old, and the oldest minister in the Florida Conference, attended the recent Annual Conference held at Quincy, Fla.

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Meharry Medical Commencement will be held Feb. 7th. Thirty four will graduate from the Medical, six from the Pharmaceutical and two from the Dental.

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A peculiar fatality, said to be confined exclusively to the Negroes, is prevalent round about Benton, Mo. The symptoms are similar to spinal meningitis.

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Wm. Robinson is running-mate on a steam ferry boat plying between Gretna and New Orleans, and is the only colored man thus employed in this vicinity.

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W. H. Harris, of Georgia, has been elected valedictorian. and O. H. Nicholas, of Louisiana, salutatorian on the graduating program of Meharry Medical College.

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A colored Merchant and Improvement Association has been organized in Cincinnati, O., and capitalized at $50 000, intended to control the colored trade in that city.

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J. Terry, of Chicago, Ill., is the only colored man in the employ of the West Division Street Car Company of that city, holding the position of foreman of the mechanical department.

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Rev. Wm. Jackson was ordained a priest in the Church of the Merciful Saviour at Louisville, Sunday, Jan. 22nd. Mr. Jackson is the first colored man that ever received the title of Priest in the State of Kentucky.

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A. M. Thomas, a colored attorney in Topeka, has begun action in the district court against the Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska Opera House and Amusement Co. and L. M. Crawford for $40 000 damages. He was excluded from the house on account of color, after buying a ticket to Keene in "Richelieu."

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The colored people of Richmond, Va., own real estate, improved and unimproved, and personal property, to the value of ($1,146,390) one million, one hundred and forty-six thousand, three hundred and ninety dollars. At the close of the war they did not own a dollar's worth of property or a foot of ground.

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The Colored Soldiers' Monument Association of Ohio has secured Mr. Sylvester Russell, the counter-male soprano, as musical director. Madame Cynthia Moses Barnes, elocutionist of Boston, has also joined the combination. Mr. Johnson, editor of the Akron Leader and Herald, is president and treasurer of the Association.

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Walter Craig, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is gaining fame as a violinist. He was the first musician of the race to be admitted to the Musical Union; he achieved a national reputation as a virtuoso of high order at a concert given in Boston Music Hall, and has been recently elected a member of the great Divorak's orchestra, of which he has been placed by the master himself, among the prime violins.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

OF THE FLORIDA A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Quincy Florida, Special.

The Florida Conference of the A. M. E. Church began its 27th session at Quincy, January 25th, at Arnett's Chapel. Prominent men of the race were present, and the exercises were more than ordinarily impressive and interesting from circumstances having a local history. The following well prepared report was furnished us by the Rev. Cæsar A. A. Taylor, D. D., financial agent of Edward Waters College.

At 9 o'clock, Wednesday morning, the 25th, the A. M. E. Churches of West Florida, convened in 27th annual session at Arnett Chapel. The opening was by devotional exercises, after which the session was organized by the election of conference officers. Then followed the address of welcome by Rev. Isaac Buggs, presiding elder of Marianna District. The address welcomed the new Bishop, Rt. Rev. T. M. D. Ward, D. D., and his associate, the Rt. Rev. Abram Grant, D. D. The address in eloquent language eulogized the "land of Flowers" and told of Florida's great resources, and among other things the following statistics were given:—In the Conference is: 59 itinerant preachers; 695 probationers; 209 local preachers; 57 exhorters; 9,058 members; 77 churches and parsonages, valued at $48,192. The Conference embraces all the territory from the Big Aucilla River on the east to the Perdido river west, and from the line of Georgia and Alabama, north, to the Gulf of Mexico, south.

Owing to the feeble age of the presiding episcopate, the welcome address was replied to by Rt. Rev. T. M. D, Ward, D. D., through the Rt. Rev. Abram Grant, D. D., who, among other things, said:

"Twenty-one years ago, at Jacksonville, Fla., I admitted to the ministry a young man who was born in Columbia County. This same young man first came to Quincy in December, 1864, and remained only one night, en route to Columbus, Ga., where he was sold for $6,000 in Confederate money. At the close of the war he returned to the place of his birth, then from there to Jacksonville, where, in 1872, as stated, he entered the ministry, and finally was transferred to Texas in 1879, where he was in the pastorate until May 1888, when, at Indianapolis, Ind., he was ordained to the bishopric for life in the greatest Negro church in the world, numbering over half a million members and nearly 5,000 churches and parsonages, in every state and territory in the Union, with a property value of over $12,000,000.

"He was made the presiding Bishop of the Sixth Episcopal District, embracing six conferences in Georgia and Alabama. At Philadelphia, Pa., last May. he was given charge of the conference in Texas, Louisiana, California, Oregon and all the Pacific coast.

"Twenty-eight years ago he left Florida a slave and to-day I bring him back a freedman to perform the episcopal duties of my district Already, this year, on his own district, he has raised $20,000, and he is but one of eleven Bishops of the A. M. E. Church. On behalf of all of this Conference I thank you for your welcome to Florida. not only to myself but to the boy born in Florida, and now Bishop Abram Grant."

The address closed amid great applause, Committees were then appointed on the following reports; Education, Church Extention, finance, Dollar-money Circuits and stations, State of Church, State of the Country, Entertainment, Public Worship, etc.

Receipts for the past years for all purposes, were $———

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. M, M. Moore, D. D. It was a scholarly theological effort, full of gospel, in which God's spirit was poured out in copious showers upon the vast audience which packed the building. The religious fervor and enthusiasm will never be forgotten.

At the close of the sermon three souls were converted and twenty-two joined this church, where for many years, it has been impossible to get up a revival. Dr. Moore and Bishop Grant will never be forgotten in Quincy. The two Miss Zeiglers, sisters to the Telegram's reporter were among those who joined.

Rev. Drs. S. H. Coleman, J. R. Scott, C. A. A. Taylor, Revs. Byrd, Hadley, and others, from East Florida, and Rev Dr. Armstrong, financial secretary, of Washington, D. C., W. O. Sherman, presiding elder of Georgia, Revs. R S. Quarterman, D. W. Gillistee, T. W. Long and Layman M. W. Wiggins, all of East Florida, were also present.

An interesting character in attendance is Rev. Benjamin Williams, who is 104 years old.

The educational meeting was enthusiastic and Edward Waters College, at Jacksonville, was made prominent.

The Conference, after an interesting session of five days, adjourned, to meet at Apalachicola, in January, 1894.

TUSKEGEE NEGRO CONFERENCE.

TO BE HELD IN THE BLACK BELT OF ALABAMA.

The Negro Conference held at Tuskegee, Alabama, under the auspices of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute last February, which proved so helpful and instructive and created so much interest throughout the country, will be repeated this year on the 21st of February. The aim will be as last year, to bring together for a quiet conference, not the politicians or those usually termed "the leaders," but the representatives of the common, hard-working farmers and mechanics—the bone and sinew of the Negro race—and a few ministers and teachers. Two objects will be kept in view in this Conference: First to find out from the people themselves the facts as to their present industrial. educational, moral and religious conditions. Second, to get as much light as possible as to how the young men and women now being educated in the higher institutions can best use their education in helping the masses to lift themselves up. It is hoped that this Conference, being held as it is, in the heart of the South, right in the midst of the millions of colored people, will serve as a mile-stone in their progress. Last year there were 450 representatives present and they surprised every one in their earnestness, common sense, by the interesting way in which they described their present condition, and the clearness with which they saw the needed remedies for present evils. No one who has not lived in the South for some time can rightly judge of the deplorable condition of the masses as it is manifested in poverty, debt, immorality and ignorance. The country may as well settle down to the fact that, for the next fifty years, there is to be one long, hard struggle on the part of the blacks and whites to overcome the effects of slavery.

Any information about the Conference may be had from Booker T. Washington, Principal Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala.

Gretna La.

Rev. E. Lewis, of Slidell, is visiting Rev. D. C. Cobb. He addressed the Sunday school last Sunday, and also assisted the district missionary, Rev. Merrit Williams, of New Orleans, at night. Wm. Mungin had his fine clothes, four dress pants, three gold studs, a pocket knife and $1.50 stolen by an unknown thief. Mr. Mungin is one of the pressmen of the Cresent Oil Mills, $2.20 per day. Mr. Wm. Hammonds chopped his foot while preparing stove wood he is also a pressman in the Cresent Oil Mills. Rev. Randolph Ingram while at his post suffered a slight paralytic stroke, recently. Kennell Hammonds who has for years been engineer of the sugar plant on the Middleton Plantation spent the holidays with his family. Please tell me the whereabouts of Miss Lillian Lewis living on 2-12-11, Ave., South Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mrs. Seneat of Gretna, La. Mrs. Rainey, living with her daughter Fannie Verit has been dangerously ill. Wm. Robinson is the only colored man on the steam ferry running between Gretna and New Orleans. He is acting second mate and is loved by all. He is expecting to marry soon. Eddie Ayles is here from Big Caini, La., expecting to enter the New Orleans University.

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City Paragraphs.

Mrs. Beckley Davis, of 29 Center street, is ill.

Mr. Allen Dudley is still confined to his room.

Mrs. Hallie A. Jones of 173 North street is ill.

Mr. Edward Harris, of Hiawatha street is reported better.

Mr. Sumner A. Furnis is confined to his room on Orange street.

Mr. Isaac Hampton and daughter of Greenfield are in the city.

Mr. Sheridan Davis proves to be a leader in arranging concerts.

Rev. R. M. Turner preached the quarterly sermon at Allen Chapel.

Miss Ollie Bass contemplates making Indianapolis her future home.

Mr. James Hughes, of west Indianapolis, has been appointed marshall.

Rev. Alexander Smith occupied the pulpit at Allen Chapel last Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Bass, of 221 W. Vermont street has been ill for two weeks.

Quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. church to-morrow; sacrament at 3 p. m.

Mr. Jeff Sizemore was in the city this week and paid The Freeman office a visit.

Marriage license has been issued to Mr. Joseph Staten and Louisa Hardaway.

Dog lost, grey hound, maltese; if found return 14 east Washington street. Reward.

Rev. J W. Carr left the past week for the East. He expects to be gone one month.

W. T. Floyd can be found at No. 29 Indiana Avenue. He is courteous to customers.

Rev. Alexander Smith was in the city the past week and held quarterly conference.

Let every one attend the concert at Simpson Chapel Wednesday, Feb. 15th; pastor's benefit

Mr. D. F. Slater has gone East to supply the shoe store 14 east Washington street with new goods.

Indianapolis' literary beams welcome to their city their prize tenor singer, Mr. Chas. Lewis and wife.

Gabriel Jones, of 272 Fayette street, is quite sick, having been confined to his room for three weeks.

The members of the Alpha Home met last Thursday at Corinthian church and transacted some important business.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie Primm took place at Vermont Street church, Friday Feb. 3, Rev. Morris Lewis officiating.

The literary concert at the 9th Presbyterian church, held Feb. 3rd and 4th has not been excelled in this city for years.

Rev. J. W. Carr. imersed 61 candidates last Sabbath. Conversions of the late revival which was carried on in the Second Baptist church,

Mr. James Nicholson and Miss Nellie Knox returned home Thursday from Chicago, after enjoying a pleasant time among the elite of the city.

Miss Clara Watkins, a teacher in the city schools, residing at No. 185 Columbia avenue, fell on the ice Tuesday evening. And broke her arm.

Mr. Eugene Williams and Miss Annie Smith were united in wedlock the past week at No. 400 N. West street; Rev. William Chambers officiating.

Simpson Chapel Sunday-school presented their ex-superintendent, T. J. Legget with a handsome Bible dictionary. Mr. Geo L. Knox in his presentation speech proved to be equal to the emergency.

Mrs. Mary Jackson, 628 Home avenue, died Feb. 4. The funeral service took place at Allen Chapel, Tuesday, Feb. 7th, under the auspices of the U. S. of Friendship. Rev. Theopilus Price officiated.

The Methodist Sunday-schools are undergoing the treatment of physicians. Dr. J. B. Elbert, of Vermont Sunday school; Dr. B. J. Morgan, of Simpson Chapel Sunday school. Ladies and gentlemen are invited for treatment in either.

Lincoln League Convention.

The annual convention of the Lincoln League of Indiana, will be held in the United States District Court room in this city on Tuesday, Feb. 14th, 1893, at 1:30 p. m. Each club in the state is entitled to five delegates. At this convention will be elected a president, a secretary and a treasurer of the state league; also one district manager for each congressional district; also two delegates and two alternate delegates-at-large for the State; also two delegates and two alternate delegates from each congressional district to attend the National Republican convention to be held in Louisville, Ky.

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Lost Relatives.

Robert Ferguson and Ann Elizabeth Ferguson who were sold from Albermarle county, Va. five or six years before the war, were owned by Robert Barkly Moon, who lived at that time near a little town called Scottsville. My father's name was Peter Fergurson. my mother's name was Francis Ferguson There were two other boys Jasper and James Ferguson. Any information of the above relatives will be gladly received by their brother, C. P. Ferguson, Osceola, Mississippi Co, Ark.

Mrs. Emma Drury of Ensor, Davies Co., Ky., would like to know the whereabouts of her brother Wm Nard or Bosley, who left Owensboro, Ky., during the war. He is light brown in complexion, probably forty years old; was known as Wm. Nard when a boy; but was sold to Nick Bosley and perhaps changed his name to Bosley. Any information about the above named person will be gladly received by his sister, Mrs. Emma Drury, Ensor, Davies Co., Ky.

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On account of President-elect Cleveland's inauguration at Washington, the C. H. & D. R. R. will on Feb. 2 th to March 3rd sell excursion tickets at a rate of $16 00 for the round trip from Indianapolis. Tickets will be good to return until March 8th, giving ample time to visit Washington and neighboring cities. The Cleveland and German American clubs, of Indianapolis, have selected the C. H. & D. and B. & O. R. Ry's. as the official lines for the occasion of their trip and extend a hearty welcome to all clubs and individuals to join them. Through train of coaches and sleeping cars will leave Indianapolis Thursday March 2nd, running through to Washington; those wishing sleeping car accomodations please secure same at once so that arrangements can be made to provide for all. Call on or address H. J. Rhein, Gen'l. Agt. C. H. & D. R. R. Indianapolis, Ind.

Ministerial Alliance.

The Ministerial Alliance met at the regular hour Feb. 6th at the Second Baptist Church. Rev. John Mars was elected President; J. M. Morton, Secretary.

REPORTS.

Belmont Baptist—Preaching at 7:30 p. m by Rev. Young. Pastor, J. F. H Hayden.

Antioch Baptist—Sunday-school, attendance 27, collection 17 cents. Preaching at 11 a. m by pastor; communion at 3 o'clock p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m.; collection $13 08.

South Calvary Baptist—Sunday-school at 9 o'clock, attendance 40; collection 60 cents. Preaching at at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev Wilson, of Mattoon, Ill.; 2 additions; collection $10 00.

Second Baptist—Sunday school at 9 o'clock. attendance 135; collection $1.93. Preaching at 11 a. m., baptising at 1:30 p. m., 55 imersed. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. by pastor; collection $61 15.

Mt. Carmel Baptist—Sunday-school at 9 o'clock a. m., attendance 17; collection 20 cents. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. Parker, 1 addition; collection $2.00.

Garfield Baptist—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. by Rev. N. A. Seymour; collection $3.75.

New Bethel—Sunday-school at 9 a. m., attendance 49; collection 65 cents. Preaching at 11 a. m. by pastor and at 8 p m. by Rev. T. Byrd, 1 addition; collection $6 52.

Rev. Fleming Gray, of Decatur, Ill., was in attendance at the meeting.

Rev. T Byrd passed the Ecclesiastical examination for ordination. Council of examination: Rev. J. R. Raynor, President; J. W, Carr, Catechiser; J. F. H. Hayden, Secretary.

Mardi Gras Rates.

The C. H. & D. R. R. Co., will sell excursion tickets from Toledo, Hamilton, Indianapolis and intermediate points to the Mardi Gras celebrations at Mobile and New Orleans at greatly reduced rates. Tickets will be on sale February 6th to 12th inclusive. Secure your tickets via the C. H. & D. the direct rout from the North to the South.

Takes a Different View of It.

Editor, Freeman.

I do not like to "rush into print," nor to monopolize the use of your columns, but it is almost impossible to suppress the following lines hence I send them to you, feeling that they cannot fail to direct the attention to what I have come to regard as a common error among our people, In your issue of 28th ult, appeared a splendid article setting forth the views of Prof. O. M. Wood, and while I commend his breadth and depth of expressed opinions, I cannot but take exception to his proffered mode of solving the Negro problem He says first: "Give him a white man's chance and let him work out his own salvation." This, coming from a man high, in influential circles, is deplorable, for the simple reason that our race is old enough and should be bold enough to make it chance and not be eternally dependent upon the alms of the white race, which are always carefully and economically bestowed. The idea of giving a chance to the 8,000,000 Negroes in America today can not seem otherwise than absurd to the members of the white race, a race that wrested its opportunities from Great Britain when the American colonies could boast of only 2,000,000 souls; a race that conquered a continent, subjugated its native inhabitants, and took to itself, and made famous and universally respected, the name that rightfully belonged to the Aborigines of the New World. What I want to know is, can we, in a spirit of manhood, ask to be given a share of that which has cost others so dear? Is it reasonable to suppose that a gift under such circumstances would be very valuable or that the giver would have more than tolerant respect for the receiver? Verily, I think both may be properly answered in the negative. Again; he says that the "white man needs to begin in the deep of his own heart to build the convictions that the Negro is a man." What on earth is the reason that the white man should take the initiative in this matter? The Negro should build that conviction first in the deep of his own heart, and I warrant that it would find spontaneous acceptance in the heart of his white brother, who cannot "rid himself of feelings of caste" until so flagrant a cause for "caste" is removed. The most powerful statement of the article is this: "A healthy public opinion makes its own laws." So true, but so fatal to his statements both before and after. Know ye, O race of Ham, that public opinion stands aghast to day at the utter lack of racial unity, pride and independence on our part as a race of people, and to the just decision of this same public opinion is due the treatment of which the Negro so bitterly and illogically complains. Lastly: If I should visit Professor Wood at his home and ask him in all sincerity, to give me a half interest in his bank account; to share equally with me the profits accruing from his monthly labors; to deed to me one half of all his possessions, and to teach me every art and science known to him, in all of which I would be the passive recipient of these favors, he would think and doubtless say, that my mind was dangerously out of balance, and yet this is his doctrine concerning the two races between which the conditions are about as I have related, and a fair and equal chance," in the one case is just as reasonable as in the other, This is not a "fling" at a successful man, nor is it an expression of jealousy induced by his progress, but it is the honest, unbiased opinion of one who thinks that the Negro will sing his "Vala song of Victory" when he ceases to ask and expect gifts from the white race, and makes his own "chance" and abandons a line of reasoning that is too truly the "death rune of his doom."

S. H. JOHNSON,
Lawrence, Kans.

Wilkes Barre, Pa.

Mrs. Ada J. Price, of Danville, superintendent of the Sunday schools of the Eastern district of the Pittsburg Conference, visited Bethel Sunday school on her round of inspection, and delivered an able address giving points on Sunday school government and means of increasing attendance. A surprise party was given in her honor at the residence of Mrs M, J Richardson, an enjoyable time was spent. Frederick Stevens received $500 from the estate of the late Allen Dickson, for whom he was coachman. Miss Ella Johnson has returned from a four weeks visit to Scranton. Mrs. Price has gone to Scranton and Waverly, Pa. A festival was held at Zion Church Monday. Mr. David Earl of Pittston, died on Thursday and will be buried Sunday. Mr. Zackaria Meads is seriously ill in the city hospital. The Pugsley Brothers will sing in this city for he benefit of the Zion church, February 19th and 20th.

L'Argent, La.

Mrs. Matilda Jackson died in Concordia Parish, La., last week She leaves behind her one child and a grandchild. Her husband died twenty five years ago. She was ninety years old Mr. Williams died last week in Tensas Parish, he leaves a wife and grown daughter.

OHIO AND ILLINOIS

Knights of the Quill Wrangle Over Their Comparative Ratio of Race Recognition.

Cleveland, O., Special.

The Chicago Conservator and Cleveland Gazette have been engaged recently in a controversy over the question of relative rights and privileges enjoyed by Afro-Americans in Illinois and Ohio It is not our purpose to express an opinion as to which of these champions of equal rights took away the laurels, as we are just a little afraid that we should naturally incline toward a particular view; but we are interested in the subject, as it concerns all Afro-Americans in Ohio, as well of Illinois.

It is everywhere known that we are not accorded all our rights in either of these states, nor in fact in any state in the Union The spirit of the Constitution is recognized and carried out nowhere. It would appear, therefore, that we have no really tangible reasons for boasting of these comparatively few privileges which we enjoy. And yet these journalistic worthies are falling over each other in their eager haste to say something boastful, each of his own state, in this regard. It is true that we as a race, do well both in Ohio and Illinois, but this can scarcely be attributed to any superior privileges peculiar to the laws or the sentiment of the people of these States. It is because of the perseverance and energy and pluck of those who do succeed invariably. Too many of us are ignorant of the existing prejudice against us in every Northern State. It prevails to some extent, throughout this country. In Chicago, however, there is more activity displayed among our our people in forcing a recognition of our rights than can be seen here or in any other Ohio city. But it must be remembered that intense activity characterizes the Windy City in almost everything, not in atmospheric movement merely. Some of the intelligent and progressive young men there have resolved to bring every violation of their rights to the notice of the courts. They have already begun it and have so far met with varying results; but they should persistently push their claims against any one and every one denying them their rights and privileges as citizens and as men. We should not be slow in doing the same here and elsewhere, wherever we are refused accomodation in hotels, restaurants and other places of a public character. It is in this way and in no other that we are to command rightful treatment. Compulsion is necessary; legal compulsion, through the instrumentality of the courts is our only safe and proper hope. Here and there, perhaps, a jury will not sustain our claim, but as a rule, our courts in the North allow no condition or color to influence their jungement. Let every one then, whenever denied a just right, look to the dispensers of the law for immediate and ample remedy. If every colored man who is thus wronged would but follow this course, it would, in a few years, result in in the final and effectual overthrow of the class who now seek to make dupes of us.

Mrs. Edwina Seelig is visiting relatives in Toronto, Canada. Mrs. John P Green is gradually recovering. The band concert on Tuesday evening last, was a grand musical treat. It was largely attended. The Afro-American Republican Club had a good meeting last Wednesday evening.

The Missionary Circle, of Mt. Zion church enjoyed a very interesting meeting on Monday evening last. Where does the Ohio Afro-American representative come in, at the World's Fair? Rev. D. W. Shaw preached an able sermon last Sunday morning. As a speaker Rev. Shaw is impressive. Wm. H. Rogers has been chosen superintendent of St. Andrews Episcopal Sabbath school. Together with Rev. Lealtad, the new superintendent is expected to do some effectual work.

A Prominent Man Dead.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Special.

Our city was shocked Friday night Jan. 27 on learning of the death of J. H. Jones. Deceased was 42 years of age. He leaves a wife and one child. He was an active society man serving I. O. of G. S. and D S two years as State Grand Chief, and secretary of Hopkinsville Lodge No 1690, G. U O. of O. F. He was associated with A C Banks in business for more than four years, during which time they had built up a substantial business. His funeral was held at Virginia St. Baptist church, of which he was an active member. Services as follows: Singing by the choir; prayer by Rev. P. Bronaugh; Odd Fellows' address, by A. C. Banks; Resolutions, Church, by Judge R. N. Lander; Sunday-school, by Supt. A. H. Payne; Good Samaritan Order by National Grand Chief, C. C Vaughan, of Russellville; Sermon by Rev E. Williams; concluding remarks by P. H. Kennedy, of Henderson. The Hopkinsville Mutual Aid Association was formally organized last week with flattering prospects. Officers: A. H Payne, President; Irvin Lander, Sr. Vice President, H S. Smith; Secretary, Mrs. Jennie L. Poole, Assistant Secretary; Jordon Barker, Treasurer; A. C. Banks' Advocate. Mrs. Mayo, of Bowling Green, was in the city Sunday. A. C Banks has bought Mrs. J. H. Jones' interest and will continue the business at the old stand. The colored public school building was slightly damaged by fire Friday night. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

Austin Texas.

Rev. Trapp preached an interesting sermon at Grant's Chapel to a large audience, Jan. 29 Miss Francis Cook, of Georgetown, has been visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Cook Miss Jennie Ogon also spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs, Cook. She is an old student of Tillotson and is teaching school at Manoe Miss Addis Musgrove is teaching here in the city. The colored people here have established a kindergarten school. A white lady from Chicago is teaching it Children from three to seven years old are admitted. Grant's Chapel has bought a very costly organ. Mrs. Lottie Sanders has sent her son, Henry Sanders, to Central Tennessee College, at Nashville, Tenn., and has sold her house furniture and her place is for rent or sale. She left last Sunday night with her nephew, George Gordon, for California. Monroe Moore, who was shot during Christmas, is able to attend to his farm work. His brother Robert Moore, has entered Tillotson. Rev. Madison preached to a large congregation Sunday Jan. 29

Central Tennessee College.

Nashville, Tenn, Special.

Miss Mattie Howard, who has been sick for sometime, we are glad to see circulating among friends. Rev. C. B Wilson, the newly installed pastor of Clark Chapel, is proving most acceptable and the church gives evidence of a prosperous year Miss Anna Joyce, of Pulaski, has been visiting her brother A. H. Joyce of the junior class. Not long since, the members of the Meharry Medical College gave Dean Hubbard a surprise by presenting him, for the College, a large, handsomely framed portrait of himself. Miss Georgia L Patton, the lady graduating from the Medical Department this year, will sail for Africa sometime soon. The Preacher's Union held a most interesting session Tuesday evening 31st, ult, in the College Chapel Presiding Elder Price deserves great credit for the inauguration and success of the Union. At the residence of Prof. E. E. Gibson, Thursday evening, Feb. 2nd. occurred a quiet and enjoyable wedding. The contracting parties were Mrs V. H——, favorably known in the University, and Mr. Thomas Higgins. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. B. Wilso in the presence of a few friends. The State Teacher's Association convened Saturday Feb 4th, at Roger Williams University and was treated with a most interesting and profitable address from Chancellor Payne of the State Normal College and Dr. Wm. Baskerville, of Vanderbilt University. Music was furnished by the choral and glee clubs of Roger Williams. Two other sessions will be held this year, one at Fisk, the other at Central. These sessions are always of commanding interest, at which the best talent possible deliver addresses on subjects of practical moment to the student and teacher. Dean Hubbard, of the Medical department, gave on Friday evening, Feb 3d., the annual reception in honor of the graduating class. The affair was a very pleasant one and was attended by the alumni of this department, the faculty of the University and a few friends invited by the members of the senior class.

Decatur, Ill.

Circuit court has been in session several weeks. Ex Supervisor Rogan was chosen one of the grand jurors. Henderson Ross and John Bird are petty jurors. Attorney Woodford spent two days in Bloomington on legal business. Sir Moses Dixon, founder of the Sons and Daughters of Tabor, visited that Order in this city last week. Revs. F. T. Harvey and Patterson are holding protracted meetings at the A. M. E. church and are meeting with grand success. Cook Long has been visiting in Taylorville. He has been in the employ of the Decatur Cracker Co. for several years, and is a first-class baker. Ed Moore, of Collinsville, is visiting his father. Wayman Wilkerson, who has been visiting in Southern Illinois, has returned home, accompanied by Master F. Johnson. Jordan Stokes is learning Dentistry in the office of Hoskins & Moore.

Church Fair.

Baltimore, Md., Special.

There will be a grand fair at Madison Street Presbyterian church on Monday evening, Feb. 13th, 1893, given by the Ladies' Aid association for the benefit of the church. The public is invited to attend. The fair will hold three weeks. Come early; season tickets 25 cents. On last Monday there was a grand wax work entertainment given by Mrs. Jarley at Ebenezer A. M. E. church. A large number were present. Mrs. H. A. Lee, manager. Rev. I. S. Lee, pastor. Mrs. Wilson has been very sick but is improving. Mr. Nelson Groans and Mrs. Adams are sick. Rev D. L. Washington is doing a good work at his charge in Calvert County, Md.

Relatives Found After Thirty Years.

DEAR SIR:—Can I ever repay The Freeman for the great blessing it has brought to me? Through it I have found four brothers and two sisters whom I have been separated from for thirty years, and had about lost hope of ever finding them. Accept my heartfelt thanks.

CHARLOTTE STUART.
Searcy, Arkansas, Jan. 16, 1893.

Harrodsburg, Ky.

Mr. Lawson is in our city visiting his wife and friends. He will return in a few days to his regular business as a lawyer. Charles Fisher has moved to Mr. J. K. Wilson's house on Preachers' Ave. Robert Holmes, of Nashville, Tenn., now a teacher at Lawrenceburg, Ky., visited his friend, Prof. W. E. Newsom, of our city. Benj. Hines is improving very fast. Rev. J. W. Frazier and wife, also Miss Eliza Coleman attended the wedding of Mr. Perkins and Miss Fauckner at Danville, Ky., last Thursday. Mr J. G. Crutcher and Miss Adeline Thompson spent the Sabbath in Reedtown. With Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reed. Anthony Meaux, who has been janitor of the white school for four years has resigned in favor of a white man. He goes to Louisville to reside. Presiding Elder Thomas went to his charges last Saturday. Miss Sallie Lee after a pleasant trip to her sister's returned to her home in Danville, Ky., Saturday. St Peters A. M. E church: preaching last Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. by Rev. I. H. Welch; at 8 p. m. by pastor, Rev. J. W. Francis St. Peters A M. E. Sunday school opened at nine o'clock a. m, attendance 79; collection 78c.

Felt Their Brother's Woe.

Raleigh, N. C. Special.

During the past cold wave poor people suffered for want of fire and food to such an extent that the citizens who were in good circumstances, both white and colored, formed a general Relief Fund and gave liberally of their means for the support of those who were destitute. About $2 000 dollars, in money, wood and provisions, altogether, were raised and distributed to the suffering ones. Business was retarded much during the cold spell. When the State legislature assembled in this city there were many Senators and Representatives, but contests have been so numerous that all have been ousted save three of the Representatives. When will injustice cease, and the Negro have the "Right of way?" Not until he ceases to take so active and conspicuous a part in politics without due preparation, and strives to accumulate more money, property and education. Mrs. Francis E W. Harper arrived in this city last week. On Friday evening she addressed the students of Shaw University, at the University Hall. She and her daughter, Miss Mary E. Harper, will spend several days in the city May the young women of our race take inspiration from her speeches and the books written by her, and take fresh courage. For

> "To reason firm, to temperate will,
> Endurance, foresight, strength and skill;
> To be a perfect woman, nobly planned,
> To warn, to comfort and command,"

are truly the necessary characteristics of true womanhood.

Fayettville, Ark.

A few weeks ago Rev. Seth Neal gave out some barrels with which money was to be collected. The one collecting the most money was to receive a fourteen dollar gold watch The benevolent workers were Mrs. Alice Peel, Millie Robinson, Fanny Dark, Steve Hewitt, Tobitha Taylor and Delphia Oliver. The barrels was brought in Sunday, January 29 h, and were opened, and Mrs. Tobitha Taylor received the watch.

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Huntsville, Ala.

Bishop Henry M. Turner spoke to a large crowd Monday. The exercises of the Central Alabama Academy on last Friday night were good. R. G. Petty delivered the lecture. Miss V. L. Moore read the news of the week. The Epworth League will render a grand program Monday night Bob Terrell has moved to the old Mazza stand on account of fire. Prof. A. W. McKinney and Rev. E M. Jones, has returned from C. A. A. Conference Huntsville has six real estate agents, three colored groceries, one doctor,

Grenada, Miss.

Rev. P H. Fisher and L. S. Bell, of the A M E Church, called a meeting for the purpose of organizing a literary society and lyceum. Officers elected were: Rt. Rev. P. H. Fisher, president; Hon. J, H Phillips, vice-president; F. H. Goss, treasurer; Robt. Bostric, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Hosea Smith, critic; Miss Millie Marshal, organist. For the past ten days some emigration to Memphis thence to Oklahoma and others to the Bottoms in the Southern part of the State has been brisk. Lugene Neal and Miss Sarah Jane Amos, were married last week, the bride is 16 and the groom 21 years old, Mrs Jennie Trotter has opened a first-class boarding house on Greene street, with Miss Annie P. Williams as general manager. We have two colored grocery stores viz, Parson & Harris, also L. G Leonard. We have two barber shops, J. H Johnson and Robt. Purdy, are managers for the white shops, while George Ingraham is our colored barber. Elder Parks, of the M. E. Chbrch, has gone to conference at Corinth.

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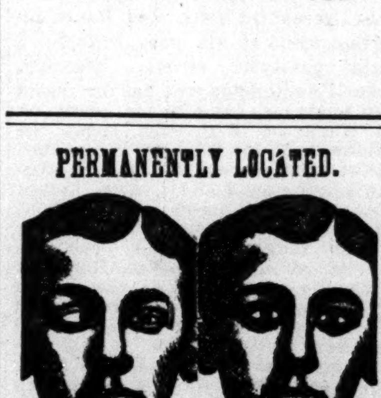

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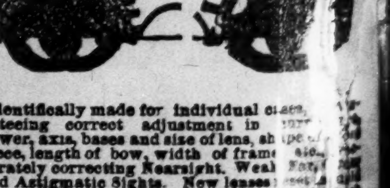

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